NEWS

Agreement reached for fish hatchery operations

A public-private partnership for the continued operation of the Grayling Fish Hatchery took another step up the rung on the planning ladder last week.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners, at its regular monthly meeting, approved a memorandum of understanding between the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Crawford County and Harrietta Hills Trout Farm. LLC. The agreement was made to recognize and accept the lease agreement between the county and Harrietta Hills for the purpose of operating the Grayling Fish Hatchery. Page 12A

SPORTS

Team looks to get back on top in league, district



Grayling High School's wrestling squad – a group that's young again this year - is looking to get back to the top of the Lake Michigan Conference and compete for another district title.

"The two main goals we have this year are conference championship and district championship," Coach Andy Moore said. Page 1B

Ten Vikings score in 57-40 victory at Roscommon



The Grayling Vikings got scoring contributions from 10 different players on Wednesday in a varsity girls basketball contest vs. the Roscommon Bucks, a game that Grayling won by 17 points, 57-40. The contest a nonconference match held at Roscommon High School – was the season opener for the Vikings.

"As the first game of the season, it was great to start off with a win," Coach Joe Powers said. "Our girls played extremely determined right from the tipoff. We pressed them for 94 feet and challenged them to play at our pace." Page 1B

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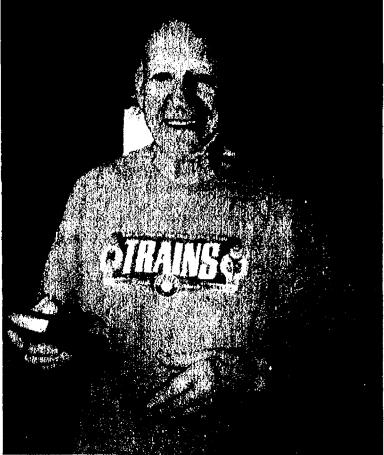
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Open house gets people all aboard for holidays

Loren Goodale Jr., the owner of Goodale's Bakery, and his son, Loren Goodale III, held their fourth annual open house to let area residents view the family's Christmas Village, collection of model trains and figurines. The open house supported the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center and raised \$1,023 in food and cash donations. About 300 people attended the open house. Left, Brooklyn Feenstra, age 2, grandmother Linda Wroble and mother Joelle Feenstra, made their way over from Traverse City to attend the open house. Right, Loren Goodale Jr. mans the controls for the trains, which take up the equivalent of about four rooms in their home.

Photos by Dan Sanderson

Disposal boxes allow citizens to get rid of unused medications 24/7

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

A partnership between the state, county agencies and the City of Grayling will allow area residents an avenue to dispose of unused medications 24/7 to keep them out of hands of drug abusers and from contaminating the groundwater.

In July, the Crawford County Commission on Aging (COA) received a \$7,959 grant from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEO) for the installation of two drug disposal boxes.

Located outside of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office and Grayling City Hall, area residents can now get rid of unused, unwanted or expired prescription drugs. The boxes are available for the disposal of prescription medications, over the counter medications, pet medications, including injectables, patches, inhalers and powders.

COA Director Alice Snyder worked on the grant with Crawford County Administrator Paul Compo and Jeff Steffey, a pharmacist for Mercy Hospital Grayling. Steffey's wife, Michelle Steffey, is the owner of the Medicine Shoppe in Grayling.

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A partnership between the state, county agencies and the City of Grayling will allow area residents an avenue to dispose of medications 24/7 to keep them out of hands of drug abusers and from contaminating the groundwater. Above, Grayling City/Manger Police Chief Doug Baum, Crawford County Commission on Aging Director Alice Snyder and Crawford County Sheriff's Kirk A. Wakefield are pictured by the drug disposal box located outside the Grayling City Hall.

DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT #10 MOVES INTO NEW OFFICE

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

The District Health Department #10 received an upgraded bill of health in the form of new offices to serve Crawford County starting this week.

District Health Department #10 opened to serve the public at its new location, located at 501 Norway Street, on Monday. The office is just across from Goodale's

District Health Department #10 moved from their former location, Meadows Drive, to the new offices, on Thursday, Nov. 29. The move was completed in conjunction with switching to a new phone system for District Health Department #10, which covers nine other counties, said Linda VanGills, chief health officer for District Health Department #10.

The health department was open for limited services and phone calls on Friday.

VanGills said the new offices will allow more space for clinics and programs such as Women, Infants and Children (WIC).

"This will definitely serve the public much better," VanGills said.

In the former office, Kyle Anderson, the sanitarian for Crawford County's District See DISTRICT | Pg. 13A



District Health Department #10 opened to serve the public at its new location, located at 501 Norway Street, on Monday. Left, Mark Scott, crew leader from Foster Brothers Transfer and Storage of Cadillac, moves boxes into the new health department offices on Thursday.

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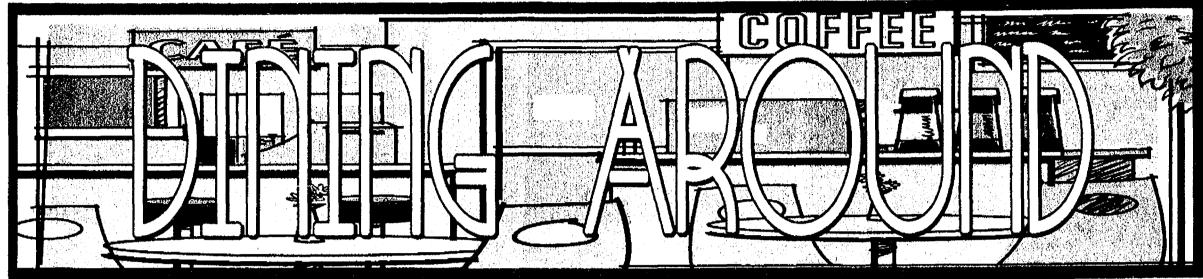
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GRAYLING YOUTH BOOSTER CLUB SUPPORTS ART PROGRAMS



The Grayling Youth Booster Club donated \$750 to the AuSable Artisan Village to help fund youth art classes. Left, Chad Patterson, a member of Grayling Youth Booster Club, Terry Dickinson, president of the AuSable Artisan Village Board of Directors, holding a sticker that says "I support the Grayling Youth Booster Club," and Rob Aubry, president of the Grayling Youth Booster Club, are pictured in the Artisan Village AuSable gallery.

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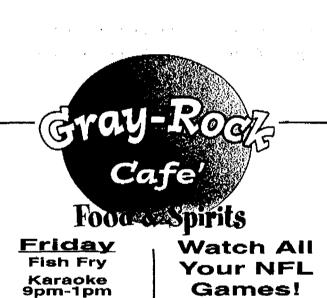
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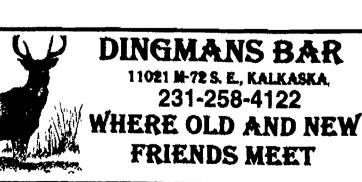
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Crawford County Court Administrator Thomas Haskel was awarded the Daniel J. Wright Lifetime Achievement Award on Nov. 20. Above, pictured at the award presentation are, Saginaw County Circuit Court Juvenile Division Judge Faye M. Harrison, Haskel, Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Robert Young, Lynne Wright, Kelly Howard, director of State Court Administrative Office's Child Welfare Services division, and Marquette County Probate and Juvenile Court Judge Michael Anderegg.

Administrator honored with lifetime achievement award

The administrator for established in honor of the and Circuit Courts was prestigious state award.

Haskel was awarded the to the welfare of children. Daniel J. Wright Lifetime

Human Services, and was the

Crawford County's Probate late Wright, an attorney and Friend of the Court Bureau longtime leader in child suprecently recognized with a port and child welfare director of State Court reform. The award is given Administrative Crawford County Court to individuals who have Child Welfare Services divi-Administrator Thomas demonstrated a commitment sion.

Achievement Award on Nov. included Wright's wife, Lynne Wright, The award is a joint effort Director and former Chief Phoenix program at the of the Michigan Supreme Justice Maura Corrigan, Court and the Department of Steven D. Capps, director of Court State

Administrative Office's division, and Kelly Howard, Office's

Haskel has over 30 years The selection committee in the field of child welfare. In the community, he was DHS instrumental in founding the Grayling Middle School and the Viking Vision Academy at the Grayling High School.

Disposal boxes allow citizens to get rid of unused medications 24/7

Continued from Page 1A In recent years, the pharmacy has participated in the Yellow Drug collection program, which accepts some prescription drugs for disposal. The program, however, does not accept the disposal of controlled sub-

"Those are the kinds of prescriptions which puts seniors and everyone at risk when they are in their house," Snyder said.

Local law enforcement agencies have also accepted prescription drugs on Drug Enforcement Agency sponsored drug take back days.

"While they were effective and very good, they were just limited in access," Jeff Steffey said.

Shelley Hubbard, prevention specialist for the Crawford County Partnership for Substance Abuse Awareness, said some people did not want to go to police offices to dispose of medications or could not participate in the drug take back days due to busy schedules. People can dispose of drugs at the sheriff's office and city hall around the clock.

"It's going to remove barriers for people to get rid of medications," Hubbard said. "Our hopes are the more medication we can get disposed, the less crime we will have in the community overdoses on these medications from people who abuse them."

City Grayling Manager/Police Chief Doug Baum said keeping contamination out of the groundwa-

ter from disposing of drugs in the landfill or avoiding the common practice of flushing medication down the toilet is paramount to public safety.

"Between city hall and the sheriff's department, it gives people some place to take them and gives them some options," Baum said. "We want to stop that stuff from getting into the groundwater."

The drug disposal boxes are monitored by surveillance cameras to lessen the temptation for tampering with the boxes. City Police officers check the boxes nightly, said. Baum Detective Sgt. John McDonald, from the Crawford County Sheriff's Office, also checks the box

Some guidelines for proper disposal of medications include:

- Always bring in prescription medicine in the original bottle or package. Over the counter medications can be left in the same bottle or package they were purchased in.
- Once you reach the disposal site, you may use a marker to black out personal information on prescription medication and pet medications or remove the label.
- If you do not want to leave your medication bottle, pills can be dumped into a zip lock type bag and dropped into the drop box once you have reached the disposal site.
- Inhalers and powders should be left in the original

package with personal information blacked out. Patches can be placed into a

zip lock bag. • To prevent spillage, place the entire bottle of any liquid medications, both prescription and over the counter, into a zip lock bag before putting them into the drop box.

• Never take another person's prescription medications to the drop box. It is a felony crime to transport another person's prescription medication. If you are the guardian of another person, carry your legal paperwork with you. If you are a non-legal caregiver or a spouse, you should carry a letter signed by the prescription holder with you. For your own safety, drugs should be immediately disposed of and not carried around in your car for any length of time.

 Never dispose of needles or syringes in the medication drop box. This puts

others at risk. The total project cost for installation of the drug disposal boxes was \$11,243. That total includes some inkind services from Snyder and McDonald. Newspaper advertising, radio spots and the Senior Gazette, the monthly newsletter distributed by the COA, will also promote the program.

"We want to make sure everybody knows it's available," Snyder said. "We're constantly encouraging people to get rid of what they don't use."

From thieves breaking into homes to steal prescrip-

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tion medications to teens or their friends taking a few pills from a medicine cabinet, Crawford County Sheriff's Kirk A. Wakefield said prescription drug abuse has been the source of crimes the last few years.

"I think it's a good program," Wakefield said of the drug disposal boxes. "Every little bit helps."







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Issues Opinions



Almanack

by Richard Milliman

Michigan's newest congressman on the job

WHEN FORMER US Rep. Thaddeus McCotter and his staff screwed up his nominating petitions for a sixth term in Congress so bad that he decided to resign his seat, Michigan was left with one less voice in Washington.

That was only temporary. With a general election and a vacancy at hand, and nobody much interested in serving just the final weeks of McCotter's regular term, Democrat David Curson dropped his name in the bucket by filing nominating petitions for the short term, not the long term, and won a special election held as part of the regular November 6 general election.

Another new Congressman will take over the district, which includes parts of Oakland and Wayne Counties, in January. Republican Kerry Bentivolio won the full term job, defeating a different Democratic candidate who had filed petitions before Mr. McCotter resigned, but ignored the short-term slot.

Mr. Curson defeated Mr. Bentivolio for the short term, and will serve the balance of the original McCotter term, or about seven

If the whole thing sounds complicated, it is.

FAR THE new Congressman - that's short-term Rep. Curson, not future Rep. Bentivolio – has given a short speech on the floor of the House, has an office and a staff, and he can vote and do everything else a "real" congressman can do.

A former Marine and UAW representative, as a member of Congress he may be called upon to vote on the "financial cliff" measures, if any ideas to solve the nation's dollar dilemma ever reach the voting stage before year's end. He has some ideas on that, too.

In an interview in The Detroit Free Press, Rep. Curson offered these comments:

"My personal view is there's enough there that everybody can

get a little piece of the pie. I don't care what side of the House you sit on, if you're a flaming liberal or if you're a tea party guy, there's something there that can satisfy everybody. All we've got to do is quit thinking about the politics and start thinking about the people."

In my book, that's a pretty good mantra for members of Congress, both short range and long range members, and might lead to more equitable compromises and eventual solutions to the nation's ills.

Add that advice to a book of practical wisdom: "Quit thinking about the politics and start thinking about the people."

AS A UNION representative, I suppose the questions of pay levels and fringe benefits connected with the new job have crossed Rep. Curton's mind.

For example, is he now part of the Congressional retirement plan? Are he and his family covered

by lifetime health care benefits? Does he have lifetime franking

privilege to send mail without cost for the rest of his life?

Has he lined up a Washington lobbying job after he leaves Congress, like most retiring members seem to do?

Or will he come back home to Michigan, just another asterisk in the history of the US House of Representatives?

NEWS ITEMS - From all over, here are a few random news items I ran across when reading the newspaper:

• The US Postal service is reporting an annual loss of \$15.9 billion, and forecasting even more red ink for next year. I guess that doesn't really classify as a "news" item. With the USPS, the question is not whether it's losing money, only how much it's losing.

 Voters in Switzerland are being asked to vote on whether to end Swiss tax breaks for foreign millionaires that have been in effect about 150 years. These breaks allow the rich to pay a flat fee and

avoid income taxes. More than 5,000 foreigners use these tax breaks.

• In Sweden the hatch on a Swedish church tower apparently was left open by mistake about 30 years ago. When workmen got around to cleaning out the mess, they faced about two tons of pigeon droppings piled up in the tower. The droppings were about 12 inches deep.

• In Togo earlier this year, the female wing of a civil rights group urged Togo women to stage a week-long sex strike, shunning their husbands or partners to demand the resignation of the country's president. Didn't they try something like that in ancient Greece or Rome or some place? I have no follow up story that tells whether it worked in Togo.

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Viewpoint

By Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield

Take precautions against burglars during the holidays

As family and friends reunite for the holiday season many leave their houses empty, which can be tempting to burglars. Crawford County Sheriff's Office offers you the following tips to help make your absence less noticeable and your home less attractive to burglars.

• Remember to lock all doors and windows - even the door(s) that open into your garage. Those garage doors are easier to open than you think.

 Make sure your locks are sturdy – all entry doors should have deadbolts. If your entry doors have windows in them make sure your deadbolt is keyed on both sides and don't leave the key in the inside lock!

• Make sure you put your newspaper and mail delivery on hold before you leave. Burglars really do look for piled up newspapers and mail as a sign your home is empty. Leaving mail unattended for days also opens you up to potential identity theft.

 Make arrangements for a neighbor to create car and foot tracks to your house if it snows while you're gone. You should arrange for someone to shovel your sidewalks and driveway while you're away, too.

• A loud TV or radio can be a better deterrent than the best alarm system. If you're reluctant to leave your TV on while you're out of town you can buy a device, which works on a timer and simu-

lates the flickering glow of a real television.

 Make sure someone you trust in your neighborhood knows you're out of town so they can watch for anything suspicious. Nosy neighbors are a great deterrent because burglars will break a window to get in knowing that most people will stop if they hear a sound but if the sound doesn't repeat they will shrug it off. Your neighbor is more likely to call police if they know you're out of town and it can't be you making that noise.

 Avoid announcing your vacation on Facebook or any other social networking site. It's easier than you think to find your address.

to the LUILUI

Information wanted for original Grayling Township building

To the editor:

I wonder if any of your readers might have the exact date (maybe even a photo?) of when the original Grayling Township building was moved from its former site near the old

library to its current site on the grounds of the railroad depot (the Museum).

> Tim Murphy Grayling 348-2621

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please

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published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows. Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

Viewpoint

By State Transportation Director Kirk T. Steudle

Snowplows need room to groom

The Michigan Department (MDOT) **Transportation** and the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM) announced the start of their annual education campaign urging motorists to remember good driving habits in winter weather conditions: "Snowplows Need Room to Groom!"

"Road crews put their lives on the line every day to keep Michigan roads safe for everyone," said State Transportation Director Kirk T. Steudle. "Motorists must remember to drive with caution no matter how much salt we use or how

often the roads are plowed." A steady decrease in road funding and an increase in costs have forced state and local agencies to alter their winter maintenance plans and change plowing priorities. However, one important fact has not changed: road crews must have ample room in order to safely clear the many miles of roadway of snow and ice.

"Motorists must do their best to minimize distractions and focus on driving and changes in road condi-John Niemela, tions," CRAM director, said. "Every year, despite the flashing lights on snowplow trucks, poor driver behavior near snowplows leads to collisions that can be dead-

MDOT and CRAM offer the following reminders for motorists:

• Snowplows have limited visibility and drivers cannot see directly behind their

 Snowplows often throw up snow clouds, reducing visibility on all sides of the

• Distracted driving is driving. dangerous Motorists should not text or

talk on cell phones while

they are behind the wheel. In fact, texting while driving is illegal in Michigan;

 Motorists should never attempt to pass a moving snowplow on the right. With new wing-plow technology, the blade can clear the shoulder and the lane of travel simultaneously. Motorists attempting an illegal pass through a snow cloud on the right and/or shoulder of the road most likely won't see the plow blade and run the risk of a serious crash; and

 Always wear your safety belt and allow extra time to reach your destinations this winter.

Steudle added, "For the safety of everyone, motorists should use extreme caution when traveling in winter weather conditions. We can't emphasize this enough: Snowplows Need Room to Groom!"

AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community Briefs items submitted to the Crawford County Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-

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Briefs

Firefighters to hold holiday event

The Grayling Firefighters Association will hold the first Community Christmas Celebration on Friday, Dec. 7, at the Ramada Inn of Grayling, with social hour at 5:30 p.m. and gourmet dinner at 7 p.m Tickets are \$25 per person and available at the Grayling Firefighters Association or the Ramada Inn. Proceeds to go the Foster C are Youth Christmas Program.

COA holds session on holiday grieving

The COA (Commission on Aging) and Karen Henderlong, will present a session on holiday grieving on Wednesday, Dec. 12 at 10 a.m. At 6 p.m. on Dec. 12, Dr. Habib, Orthopedic Surgeon will speak on how to keep your joints The annual Christmas Dinner will be on Thursday, Dec. 13, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., with the price of \$2.50 for those over age 60 and \$5 for those under age 60. The public is welcome to all of these events. The center is located at 308 Lawndale St., Grayling.

Church to hold Cookie Walk

A Cookie Walk will be held at St. Mary's Family Center on Spruce St., on Saturday, Dec. 8, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sheriff to attend township meeting

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will attend the Frederic Township meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 10 a.m. He will be there throughout the meeting, and if necessary, remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

Donations needed for Mitten Tree

The Friends of the Crawford County Mitten Tree are still accepting mittens, hats and scarves. The second week in December the mittens, hats and scarves will be distributed to the Christian Help Center and the Baby Closet.

Photographic Society to meet

The Grayling Photographic Society will meet at 7 p.m. on Dec. 10 at the Grayling Middle School. See the GPS website http://graylingphoto.org/ for directions and other info. This will be a competition meeting, subject "Shadows". Rules for the competition and instructions for submission of entries are on the website. Submittal of entries is limited to members, but guests are welcome, including students. Questions, call Stan 989-745-5529 or email stan.prevost@graylingphoto.org.

Moose Lodge to hold party

The Grayling Moose Lodge, 7970 S. Grayling, Rd and Old 27, will hold their Annual Children's Christmas on Saturday, Dec. 8, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. for children ages 2 to 12. This is open to the public.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new Web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

It's not too late for a flu shot

An annual flu vaccine is the best way to prevent the flu and the flu-related complications that could lead to hospitalization and even death. Dec. 2-8 is National Influenza Vaccination Week (NIVW) and the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) is recommending that all Michigan's citizens 6 months and older get a flu shot.

Nationally, flu vaccination coverage estimates show that roughly 42 percent of people 6 months of age and older received a flu vaccine last season. Unfortunately, that means that the majority of those who are recommended to receive the influenza vaccination went unprotected. Michigan estimates for flu vaccination coverage are at 38.8 percent, which is even lower than the national average.

"Every year, flu spreads across the country from person to person, family to family, and community to community," said James K. Haveman, Director of the MDCH. "One of the greatest challenges we face from the flu is the uncertainty of the disease. Flu viruses are constantly changing which is why we need to protect ourselves and our families with an annual flu vaccine."

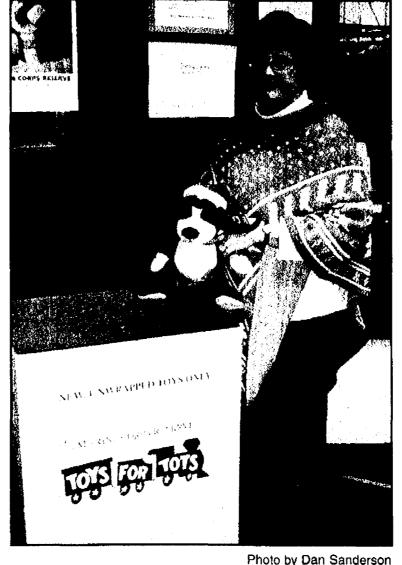
Last week flu activity throughout the United increased. States Michigan, flu activity has been sporadic so far this season, however reports of laboratory-confirmed flu cases have been documented across the state and are starting to increase.

The severity of the flu can vary from mild to severe. When severe, flu complications can lead to hospitalization and in some cases death. Even healthy children and adults can get sick from the flu. Each year it's estimated that more than 200,000 people are hospitalized because of flucomplications. related People with long-term health conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, and asthma are at greater risk of experiencing serious health complications as a result of flu. A flu vaccine is the first and best way to prevent influenza and is particularly important in people who are at higher risk of serious flu

complications. Getting a flu vaccine is more convenient than ever before. Vaccines are available from physicians, local health departments, and at many retail pharmacies. Many employers, colleges and universities also offer flu vaccines. Additionally, the annual vaccine supply continues to grow, helping to ensure that enough vaccine is available for everyone.

"When you're out and about in your community and see signs offering flu shots, or when you visit your doctor for a routine check-up, remember: the flu vaccine is the single best way to prevent the flu," said Haveman.

For more information about flu in Michigan visit www.michigan.gov/flu. To find a flu vaccine near you, visit http://flushot.health map.org/.



Above, Chris Johnson, an employee at Riverland, displays a stuffed holiday puppy donated for the current Crawford County Toys for Tots campaign.

Toys for Tots campaign begins

It's that time of year again.

The Crawford County Toys for Tots campaign is in full swing.

Once again, we do expect a large number of children that will need our support this year, said Linda Northrop, the Toys for Tots Coordinator for Crawford

Toys for Tots will be collecting new unwrapped toys from now until Dec. 14.

If you would like to help provide a new toy for a needy child, you can drop it off at one of the drop off sites or at the Crawford County Christian Help Center. If you would like to make a monetary donation, make your check payable to Toys for Tots and mail it to Linda Northrop at PO Box 527 Grayling, MI 49738.

Drop off sites include: the Cornell Insurance Agency, Glen's Market, Kim's Magic Nails, Citizens Bank, Chemical Bank, Walgreens, the Grayling Senior Center, the Dollar General Store, Goodale's Bakery, Family Video, the Grayling Mini Mall, Riverland, Huntington Bank, the Crawford County Sheriff Office, Grayling Eagles Club, the Grayling Regional Chamber of

Commerce, the Family Dollar Store, Dawson and Stevens Classic 50's Diner, AAA Insurance Office, the Ice House Quilt Shop, Dynamic Physical Therapy, Westside Diner, Medicine Shoppe, Shred Shack, Lovells Cheerful Givers Club, Ramada Inn, the Verizon store, Heads Up North Salon and Fifth Third Bank.

All toys and donations go to Crawford County children.

Glen's Market Grayling is also selling Toys for Tots cut-out trains for the local Toys for Tots campaign.

From noon to 4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7, the Michigan State Police will be holding their "Stuff the Blue Goose" event at the Grayling Kmart, when items donated to Toys for Tots will be stuffed into a

state police vehicle. "We will be accepting toys and donations at this time," Northrup "Please come and help us fill their patrol car with toys."

The Toys For Tots prograin was founded by the Marine Corps Reserve in 1947.

If you have any questions, contact Northrop at (989) 348-6761.

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Grayling Youth Booster Besonen. Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Dec. 2 of \$25 each; Rick Youngs, Joyce Sorenson, John Beattie, Jim Kitchen, Dale Papendick and John

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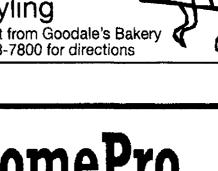
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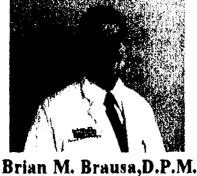
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The Bible Speaks

Freedom or Tyranny

The future of freedom in this world rests upon the faith, will and action of two countries, Israel and America. Islamic terrorists have a saying, first we get the Saturday people, then we get the Sunday people. Jews worship on Saturday as their Sabbath and Christians worship on Sunday as their Lord's Day. As Israel goes, so goes America, and as America

goes, so goes the world. Globalist everywhere in the world believe Israel and America are inherently greedy and evil; therefore they blame us for most world problems. They deny the truth that our success is a result of God's blessings. They believe orthodox Jews and Christians control the power and wealth of the world, therefore any war must be their fault, and never the fault of their enemies. They believe envy and jealousy toward us by the peoples of the world are justified because we refuse to share more of our power and wealth with them. Liberals side with the world against us because they have personal guilt feelings living with and being identified with Jews and Christians. They believe utopia will only arrive on earth when we have allowed global government to equally distribute all our power and wealth throughout the world.

Liberals challenge our unalienable right to liberty by pushing to control what we eat, wear, think, say, drive or generally do as citizens. They undermine our unalienable right to life by pushing abortion, infanticide, and cuthanasia. They challenge our unalienable right to the pursuit of happiness by penalizing the fruits of our labors through government redistribution of wealth. PETA is now directly attacking white males as the primary cause of even animal suffering and

abuse. In fact, liberals claim they can trace almost every problem we have back to dead white males.

Why do they never credit any of these dead white males for some of our blessings? Michael Savage in his book, "The Savage Nation - Saving America from the Liberal Assault on Our Borders, Language, and Culture' reminds us of some inventions which bless us: "Trains, planes, cars, rockets, telescopes, tires, telephones, radios, television, electricity, atomic energy, computers, and fax machines. All miracles made possible by the minds and spirits of men with names like Ampere, Bell, Caselli, Edison, Ohm, Faraday, Einstein, Fleming, Cohen, Teller, Shockley, Hertz, Marconi, Morse, Popov, Ford, Volta, Michelin, Dunlop, Watt, Diesel, Galileo, and other 'dead white males."

Savage asked the same question about our national "Where would security: America's national defense be without the great Jewish minds of Einstein, Teller, and Cohen? Einstein, of course, gave us the Theory of Relativity; Edward Teller gave us the H-bomb; and Sam Cohen gave us the neutron

God promised His people in Gen. 12:3: "And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee; and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.' Our obedience to God's word assures us of His blessing in Gen 22:18: "And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice." It is God who made us free and blessed us abundantly with His favor.. Pastor "B"

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Obituaries

Laura M. Swanson

Laura Marie Swanson, 96, of Clare, passed away on Thursday, November 29, at the Brittany Manor of Midland.

She was born the daughter of Charles and Mary (Canfield) Babcock on Sept. 12, 1916 in Winegars, Gladwin County, Michigan.

She married Leroy Swanson on June 8, 1935 in Cadillac.

Laura and Leroy had been the former owners of the Southgate Motel in Grayling. They had lived for a time in Florida and moved back to Clare, in 1993. Leroy passed away in March of 1994.

Laura was a member of Clare United Methodist Church where she had been a member of the "United Methodist Women" until failing health prevented her attendance.

She is survived by her children: Gary and Patricia Swanson of Florida, Kay and Robert Reeves of Auburn, and Sharon and Dennis Stookey of Utica; sisters, Irene Gould and Minnie Patrino both of Gladwin; nine grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and one great greatgrandchild.

She was preceded in death by her grandson, Norman Smock; her sister, Ida Elliott; and brother, Clarence.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 4, at 11 a.m., at the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home with Pastor Dennis Bromley officiat-

Burial was in the Cherry Grove Cemetery.

Please leave an online condolence at www. stephenson-wyman.com.

Military News

Major James Robson of Grayling, formerly Ishpeming, has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for sustained superior service as the Director of Facilities Engineering, Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center, during the period of June 8, 2008 through June 30, 2012.

Major Robson demonstrated innovative, progressive leadership during a period of unprecedented construction and expansion at Camp Grayling. His accomplishments reflect great credit upon himself, Michigan Army National Guard, and the

United States Army. Robson has 13 years with the Michigan National Guard and has 18 years of prior active military duty service.

Robson is employed by Michigan Army National Guard as the Director of Public Works Camp Grayling, for Michigan.

Robson and his wife, Jody, have five children, Andrew, Abbey, Alexandria, Ally, and Autumn; and one grandchild, Lincoln.

He is the son of William and Veronica Robson, of Champion.

Births

Jennifer Peano and Phillip Dumas of Gaylord, announce the birth of a son, Dylan Michael, born at Hospital Mercy November 22, 2012, at 9:20 p.m., weighing 6 lbs., 14 ozs., and measuring 21 inches in length.

46th Circuit Trial Court

Sentencings for November 2012

Hon. Janet M. Allen

Derek Alan Keyes, age 49 of Bay City - Plead no contest on Sept. 17, 2012, to police officer-assault and operating impaired/per se-second offense; sentenced on Nov. 5, 2012, to serve 180 days in jail with credit for 79 days served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$118 state minimum costs, \$325 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee.

Joseph Lee Heinze, age 26 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Oct. 1, 2012, to child abuse-third-degree; sentenced on Nov. 5, 2012, to serve 90 days in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$325 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 24 months.

Rosemary Laverne Reynolds, age 46 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Oct. 1, 2012, to controlled substance possession of non-narcotic; sentenced on Nov. 5, 2012, to serve 180 days in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$325 circuit

court costs and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 12 months.

Sarah Kay Hatfield, age 30 of Frederic - Plead no contest on Oct. 1, 2012, to larceny in a building; sentenced on Nov. 5, 2012, to serve 270 days in jail with credit for 75 days served; ordered to pay \$68 state minimum costs, \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 24 months.

Patrick Ryan Babbitt, age 20 of Frederic - Plead guilty on Oct. 23, 2012, to larceny in a building and for a probation violation; sentenced on Nov. 5, 2012, to serve 20 months to 48 months in prison with credit for 294 days served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$325 circuit court costs, \$1,123 restitution and \$104.60 late fee assessment.

Patrick Ryan Babbitt, age 20 of Frederic - Plead no contest on Aug. 13, 2012, to controlled substance delivery scheduleone-two-three and convicted by the court for being habitual offender-secondconviction; sentenced on Nov. 5, 2012, to serve one year and two months to 10 years and six months in prison with credit for 150 days served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$325 circuit court costs and \$20 restitu-

Lucus William Hurd. age 24 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Oct. 1, 2012, to controlled substance delivschedule-one-twothree; sentenced on Nov. 5, 2012, to serve one year and six months to seven years in prison with credit for 50 days served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$325 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee, \$500 penal fine and \$35 restitution.

Brian Keith Harrison. age 24 of Prescott - Plead guilty on Nov. 5, 2012, to substance-delivery/manufacture marijuana and for a probation violation; sentenced on Nov. 5, 2012, to serve 17 months to 48 months in prison with credit for 201 days served; ordered to pay \$130 crime victim rights fee, \$68 state minimum costs, \$325 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee, \$65 restitution and \$174.60 late fee

Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Dec. 7 - Lunch turkey, mashed potatoes, corn, cranberry sauce and mandarin oranges. No Dinner. 10 a.m. card golf, 12 p.m. Lovells Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo and Pool- 9 Ball.

Monday, Dec. 10 -Lunch - glazed ham, sweet potatoes, Prince Charles vegetables and sliced apples. Dinner - swiss steak with gravy, baked potato, green beans and watermelon. 10 a.m.

12:30 quilting, pm. Beginning Clogging, 1 p.m. Bridge, 1:30 p.m. Clogging, 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 11 -Lunch - beef goulash, corn, green beans and blueberry yogurt. Dinner - liver and onions, fried cabbage and bacon, asparagus and pineapple. 10 a.m. Bible study and Zumba Gold, 11:30 p.m. -5:30 p.m. Foot Clinic appointment required, 1 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, Dec. 12 -Lunch - BBQ chicken breast, baked potato, California blend and peaches. Dinner - pork roast, sweet potatoes, broccoli with cheese sauce,

apple and cookies. a.m. Line Dancing and Holiday Grief gathering, 1 p.m. Pool, Wii Bowling, Mahjong, 6 p.m. Dr. Habib - healthy joints.

Thursday, Dec. 13 -Lunch - salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, Brussels sprouts and apricots. Christmas Dinner - roast beef, mashed potatoes with gravy, Midori blend vegetables, fruit salad and chocolate cream pie. 10 a.m. Crafting and Pokeno, 1 p.m. Uno Attack, UnLucky 7's, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Christmas Dinner.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 91 complaints the week of Nov. 26 - Dec. 2.

One EMS response, 20 general non-criminal complaints, one delinquent minors, five false alarm activations, one criminal sexual conduct first-degreepenetration, two assault and battery/simple assaults, one burglary/home invasion, one larceny-personal property from vehicle, one larceny, one damage to property, one obstruct justice-violation/preliminary investigation, five disorderly conduct complaints, one public peace/other, five health and safety complaints, two conservation complaints, one environment complaint, one violation of conservation laws, eight miscellaneous arrests, 11 traffic accidents,

three traffic violations-civil infractions, one traffic safety public appearance, one hazardous condition, seven investigations-family trouble, eight suspicious situations, one no operator license and one driving on revoked/suspended license.

Sheriff Wakefield asks, "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our

Area Events

Kaikaska - Third annual Christmas in Kalkaska Charity Concert lock-in to benefit Toys for Tots, the Michigan Food Bank and K.A.I.R. will start on Dec. 8, at 4 p.m. and end on Dec. 9 at 7 a.m., at the Kalkaska Center, Civic 1900 Fairgrounds Rd. NW. Live music, food, games and fun. Bring pillow, sleeping bag and PJs for the lock-in. Under age 18 needs permission slip from parents with emergency phone number. Tickets are \$10 with unwrapped toy donation, non-perishable food items or gently used coat or blanket. \$15 without donation. For more information contact Damien Allen at odproductions33@gmail.com.

Gaylord - Lutheran Child and Family Service of Michigan (LCFS) works together with families from

to provide loving, stable foster homes for children who have been removed from their homes due to abuse and neglect. LCFS offers a no obligation orientation once a month. The next orientation will be held Dec. 11 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at LCFS, 1260 S. Otsego Ave., Gaylord. For more information call LCFS at 989-732-1040.

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Range Firing

Range activities scheduled at Camp Grayling for the period Dec. 13-19 will be as follows:

The 40 Complex, air to ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old

State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), Dec. 13-14 and 18-19.

This firing schedule is subject to change without notice.

Contact the Grayling

Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: 989-348-6371. For further information call 989-344-6100.





Above, the billboard for the Grayling Visitors Bureau located between mile marker 224 and 225 on I-75 north just south of Houghton Lake was recently updated. Below, the Grayling Visitors Bureau is also placing an advertisement in Pure Michigan spring and summer travel planner.

GRAYLING VISITORS BUREAU PROMOTES OUTDOOR RECREATION

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

The Grayling Visitors Bureau has taken a twopronged approach to promote area outdoor recreation opportunities.

The Grayling Visitors Bureau purchased an advertisement, which will appear in the Pure Michigan spring and summer travel planner. Pure Michigan is a marketing campaign for Travel Michigan, which aims to market the state of Michigan as a travel and tourism destination.

One million travel planners are distributed. The planners are sent through Travel Michigan mailings, available at welcome centers, visitor's bureaus and chamber of commerce offices. They are also distributed with Midwest Living, a monthly magazine that offers travel, food, home and garden human interest articles.

The Grayling Visitors Bureau has not had an advertisement in the travel planner the last two years due to the economy.

"This year, we saved up so we could afford to be in it," said llene Geiss-Wilson, the executive director of the Grayling Visitors Bureau.

The advertisement was designed by Harmonie Ponder Ponder from Consulting, a Grayling based web design and marketing firm. The photo of the AuSable River was taken by Marj Esch from

West Branch. The advertisement says "Relaxing Outdoor Adventures - Grayling" and includes a phone number and website information.

"We are all about outdoor recreation," Geiss-Wilson said. "That's the majority of what we have to offer."

About a month ago, the Grayling Visitors Bureau also updated its artwork on a billboard, which is located between mile marker 224

and 225 on I-75 north just south of Houghton Lake.

The new billboard says "Discover Grayling" and includes a picture of the AuSable River.

The old billboard promoted fly-fishing, snowmobiling and canoeing.

"It was small and hard to read, so we decided to go with less information and one picture that represents what Grayling is all about," Geiss-Wilson said.

The photo was taken by Esch when fall colors were peaking.

"It's a really bright picture and it stands out," Geiss-Wilson said.

The goal of the billboard is not necessarily to get people to come off the expressway into Grayling, but to promote name-recognition and encourage people to search the Internet for more information about the

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Social media plays a vital role in the Grayling Visitors Bureau mission, which is to promote Crawford County as a recreational destination,

increase overnight stays and have a positive economic impact on the entire area.

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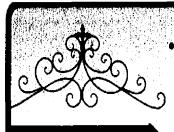
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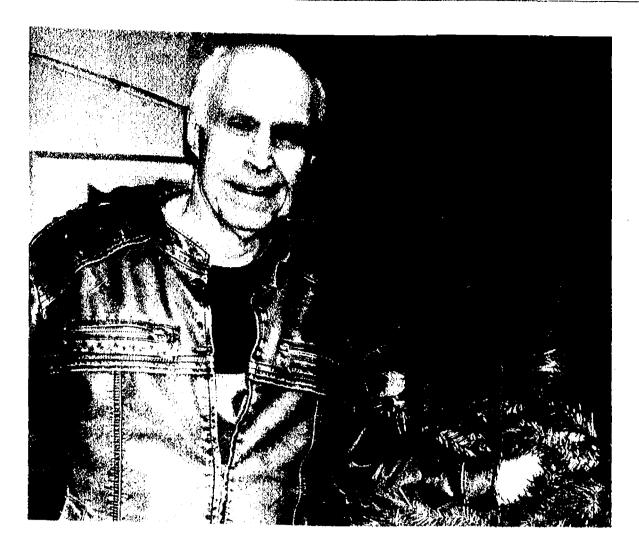
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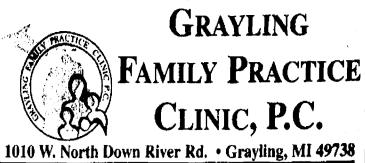


Hanging of the Greens ushers in the holidays

Senior volunteers participated in the Hanging of the Greens at the Crawford County Commission on Aging and Grayling Senior Center to decorate the facility for the holidays. Above, Mel Moore puts up a Christmas tree in the dining room at the Grayling Senior Center.

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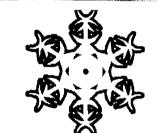
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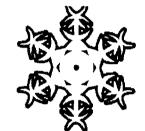
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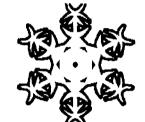
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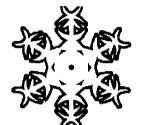
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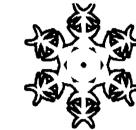


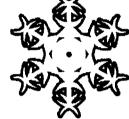


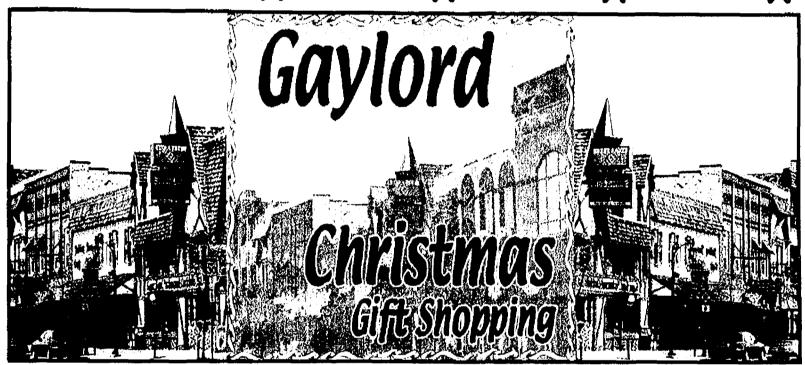


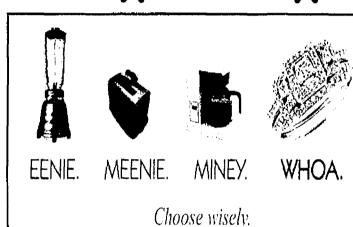












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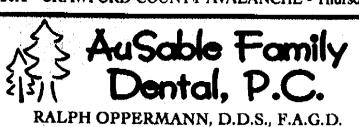
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Boy Scout Troop #995 of Grayling recently toured the World War II submarine the USS "Silversides" in Muskegon.

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Scouts spend the night on World War II submarine

Boy Scout Troop #995 of Grayling traveled to Muskegon to sleep overnight on the World War II submarine the USS "Silversides" on Oct. 20.

The submarine was commissioned just a few days after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Silversides completed 14

combat war patrols in the Pacific Theater of Operations during World War II. She is officially credited with sinking 23 major Japanese ships, the third highest in the U.S. Navy submarine fleet, making her the most successful surviving World War II submarine.

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Submarine Museum has over 16,000 square feet, which includes a wide range of exhibits on the Silversides, World War II, Pearl Harbor, the Cold War, marine technology and Great Lakes shipping.

The U.S. Coast Guard Cutter "McLane," the last in its class in existence made during the Prohibition-era, is also docked at the museum.

"The boys and parents had an evening that they will never forget sleeping in the racks that our brave Navy servicemen slept in," said Brad Summers, committee chairman for Boy Scout Troop #995 of Grayling.

Bid for online sales tax likely doomed again

by Lauren Gibbons Capital News Service

LANSING — The fight to impose a sales tax on online businesses is fizzling once again with the end of legislative session.

The likely doomed legislation, sponsored by Reps. Eileen Kowall, R-White Lake Township, and Jim Ananich, D-Flint, would amend the sales tax law to include online businesses.

The bills were an attempt to hold the booming online sales industry to the same tax-collecting standards as its brick-and-mortar counterparts.

But with the end of the legislative session rapidly approaching, hopes of continuing the discussion about an online sales tax, let alone

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getting the legislation through the lame duck House and Senate, grow increasing-

Because of a loophole in current tax law, sellers online don't need to collect the sales tax unless they have a brickand-mortar business in Michigan. Technically, online consumers are supposed to report their online purchases and pay a 6 percent use tax, but few do, said Tom Scott of the Michigan Retailers Association.

Supporters argue that such a change would level the retail playing field and bring in more tax dollars. The measure has support from both sides of the aisle, but some legislators have expressed concerns that it would make online shopping more confusing for both the buyer and the retailer.

Tom Lenard, spokesman for Ananich, said there's a small hope the committee will take a look again next week, but the issue of online sales taxes will continue. even if it has to get taken up again next year.

"It's not an issue that's come up out of nowhere," Lenard said.

Tax Policy Committee

member Rep. Jim Townsend, D-Royal Oak, said hasn't heard plans of the bill coming up again this year since a scheduled discussion on the topic was canceled. He said the concept of sales tax regulation on such a widespread level is better suited for nationwide legislation, but inaction from Congress should encourage state legislators to take the matter into their own hands.

"We ought to have a level playing field for online retailers and we don't," Townsend said. "It's an issue probably better solved at the national level, but it's not getting solved on the national level right now."

In the mind of business owner Dan Marshall, any change in online sales tax would be beneficial for retailers struggling to com-

As the owner of the Lansing-based statewide chain Marshall Music, Marshall has experienced firsthand the issue of shoppers coming into his stores to try various instruments and subsequently using their smartphone to search for the cheapest price online.

"Every day, every hour, I

have people come in and look at products, and my staff helps them select the product that best fits their needs," he said. "They'll scan the UPC code with smartphones that will tell them where the cheapest price on the product is.

"We'll try to match it, but we just can't discount it to eat the sales tax," he said. "Marshall Music is perfectly comfortable operating in a competitive pricing environment, but if some should collect sales tax, all should collect sales tax. We're put at a competitive disadvantage."

The fight for tax parity in online sales has dragged on for years, but to many brickand-mortar retailers, the issue remains pertinent, Scott said.

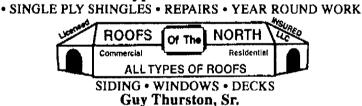
Despite the likely failure challenges to get legislation through this year, he said retail businesses will continue to make it a top priority.

"This is our number-one legislative issue," he said. "We'd love to get this passed, but the ultimate solution has to come from Congress with national legislation. Until then we have to work from the state level," Scott said.

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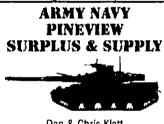
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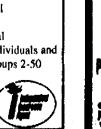
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Christmas tree growers grapple with drought, future

by Silu Guo Capital News Service

LANSING - Ken Prince. owner of KP Tree and Nursery in Allendale, is one of many Christmas tree growers in the state who faces a potential business crisis because of last summer's drought.

"Drought was bad for planting new trees," Prince said. "We are going to ramp up the planting by 30 percent to make up our loss from the drought."

He said the loss is hard to measure. "We will only see the loss in eight to nine years because we probably won't have enough trees at that time."

about this year's trees," said Bert Cregg, a Michigan State University horticulture professor.

He said Christmas trees need eight to 10 years to grow to marketable size so the impact will not appear at least until them.

Michigan ranks third in the national Christmas tree market, following Oregon and North Carolina, Cregg said.

Michigan has 700 Christmas tree growers, according

Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

The annual wholesale value is about \$40 million per year.

The industry brings benefits to the state's economy in several aspects.

"Farmers are hiring local workers and the tree retail industry needs trucks for transportation," said Marsha Gray, executive director of the Michigan Christmas Association in Howell.

"We now have over 600 growers in the state," Gray said. "The biggest growing counties are Missaukee, Macomb and Muskegon.

"We are a hot spot in the "The real impact is not Christmas tree-growing industry," she said.

> Gray said one possible reason is the state's physical environment, like its soil and climate.

"Based on natural resources, we are able to grow eight to 10 different kinds of trees," she said. "People Northwestern coast and North Carolina can grow only one kind of tree."

Another reason is the state's agriculture tradition, she said. "Historically some started growing Christmas trees and someone else followed up."

Prince's company is one of many family-owned businesses.

"We are three-generation tree growers," he said. "My great grandfather started the business and now my children are helping me out and working on the farm."

Prince's company sells both wholesale and retail. It ships trees to Texas and Florida and sells to stores in the Grand Rapids-area.

Prince said his business is doing better this year, with orders staying the same but with new cus-

He said that's because fewer people in the state are growing Christmas trees. "Most of them are older guys and lots of younger generations are doing other work."

Gray, from the state Christmas Tree Association, said that's because nursery business people won't see shortterm benefits.

She also said the market is changing.

"Trees don't change, but consumers are expecting different things," she added. "Business owners need to provide something different to customers."

She said the association developing small Christmas trees so people can put them on a desk. "They are for people who still want a tree but don't want a big one in the house."

But Prince said, "We've been doing the same things for three generations. I will continue to do what my great grandfather did and my son will do the same thing."

His 19-year-old son is second-year mechanical engineering major, which, according to his father, will "definitely be helpful to the business."

Prince said he hasn't made an agreement with his son to work on the farm yet but he will talk to him soon before the youth's graduation.

"I have told my son if you work hard in this business, you can succeed," he



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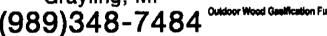
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Seniors from the Crawford County Commission on Aging and Graying Senior Center donated 128 pillows to the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center to give to children for the holidays. Above, from left to right, back row, Marianne Gosnell, the director of the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center, Helen Nolan, the Crawford County Commission on Aging and Grayling Senior Center's activities and volunteer coordinator, and senior Ann Mitchell. Front row, senior Carolyn Rakoczy, Pillow Project Volunteer Coordinator Judy Morford, senior Sharon Varisco and senior volunteer Pat Sanders.

Grayling seniors put Big Foot forward to help needy

Agreement reached for

The spirit of giving in the hearts of dozens of volunteers from the Crawford County Commission on Aging and Grayling Senior Center has resulted in the creation of 128 "Foot Pillows," hand made over

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Harrietta Hills Trout Farm,

(DNR),

County and

Staff Writer

the past four months.

The idea originated from Senior Center Volunteer Judy Morford. After talking

idea developed with the assistance of many women from the Senior Center.

Materials were gathered and patterns were cut.

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fish hatchery operations

to operational losses. Dan Vogler, the owner and general manager of the Harrietta Hills Fish Farm, said an agreement has been reached with the county to operate the hatchery for two years. Vogler is seeking to operate the Grayling Fish Hatchery year-round for commercial production of rainbow trout. The fish hatchery would be open to the public during the tourism season, as it has

been for the last 30 years. The plan is to raise trout, which are between six to 10 inches before they go to market. Between 10,000 to 20,000 fish could be in each of the eight raceways at the Grayling Fish Hatchery. The hatchery has the capability of producing 180,000 to 200,000 pounds of fish per

year. Vogler said the increased fish production would cut down on seafood imported from other nations, and bolster the state's output of seafood.

Vogler was pleased to reach the agreement with

the county and the state. "This was the first big step that we were waiting Vogler "We're pleased that the process is rolling forward. We will still keep working to engage those who have concerns and hopefully will have things up and running as soon as possible."

The memorandum of understanding states that the county and Harrietta Hills must meet standards established by the Department of Environmental (DEQ) for the operation of the Grayling Fish Hatchery to protect the AuSable River and its tributaries. They must comply with all DEQ Department Agriculture and Rural Development permits and standards during the terms of the lease.

Ultimately, the county and Harrietta Hills need a discharge permit from the DEQ. The permit would address the release of fish waste and food that has not been consumed by the fish.

Obtaining the permit is a lengthy process.

"When that gets done, we will be in a better position," said Crawford County Administrator Paul Compo.

Harrietta Hills Trout Farm is located on Slagle Creek, which is a high quality trout fishing steam in northwest Michigan. Vogler has received and maintains a DEQ discharge permit for the facility.

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on my recent re-election, you have my pledge that I will continue to represent the Northern Michigan values of this District. Michigan has finally seen a positive turn around of our fiscal viability and our economy even though it will take some time to get us back on top. The good news is that we are moving in the right direction. This past election campaign has been very challenging, to be sure, and at times, even contentious. I am confident though that we will continue to move forward as a state. I am looking ahead to working in a bi-partisan way to keep Michigan on the right path as we deal with ever challenging times. In the past 2 years, I've made a special effort to be accessible to the public and I will continue to do this, working and listening to your particular concerns. Due to redistricting, I look forward to working with the 103rd District that now includes Crawford, Kalkaska, Missaukee, Ogemaw, and Roscommon Counties. I thank you for your

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District Health Department #10 moves into new office

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Health Department #10, had an office located in the basement of the building.

"Now, he has an office that is readily available for serving the public," VanGills said.

Sue Luckstead, the public health nurse for Crawford County's District Health Department #10 office, said the new office will allow caregivers to modernize the way they need to serve the public.

"It's exciting," Luckstead said. "The space is going to be wonderful and will allow us to serve our

clients better because we won't be tripping over each other and we can have different services at the same time on the same day and we can grow into what we need to do today."

Under the agreement with District Health Department #10, the 10 counties it serves agree to provide office space for the pubic agency. Money for operations is received from categorical grants, the counties, bills for services, fees for services and other grants the agency applies for and receives.

"It's not just one funding mechanism for the health department,"

VanGills said.

District Health Department #10 in Crawford County has seven employees. Teams from other areas are also brought in regularly to provide programs such as family planning and breast and cervical cancer screenings.

Between 4,000 to 5,000 people are served by the District Health Department #10 office in Crawford County each year. Services provided include immunizations, environmental services, hearing and vision screenings in the schools and restaurant inspections.

VanGills acknowledged the Crawford County Board of Commissioners and Crawford County Administrator Paul Compo for working with health department officials to purchase and renovate the building to better serve the community.

"This is a wonderful facility and I appreciate the leadership from the county," VanGills said. "It's a good location and it's very walkable for the staff and community to get here."

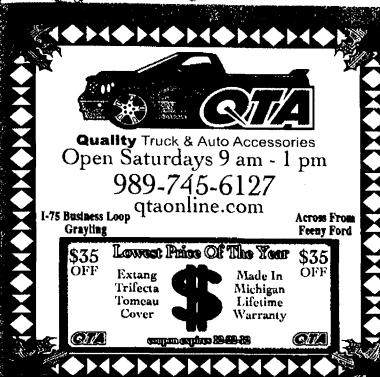
In February, Crawford County purchased the building for the health department from Dave

Wyman, Wyman, a local building contractor, was also hired to make building renovations necessary to accommodate the agency.

In March, the county board terminated its lease with Huron Pines, a non-profit organization that has a mission to conserve forests, lakes and streams, for its space in the building. The Natural Resources Commission Services, which is a federal agency, also left the building after operating on a month-to-month lease with the county. Both agencies relocated to Gaylord.



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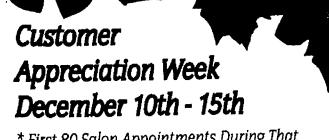


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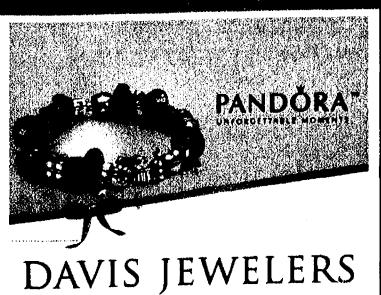
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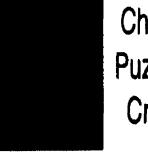
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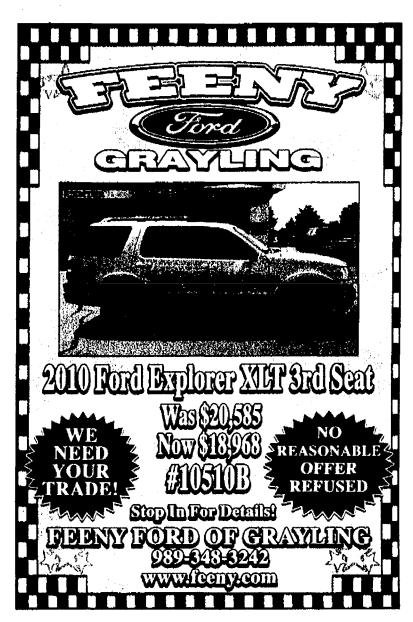
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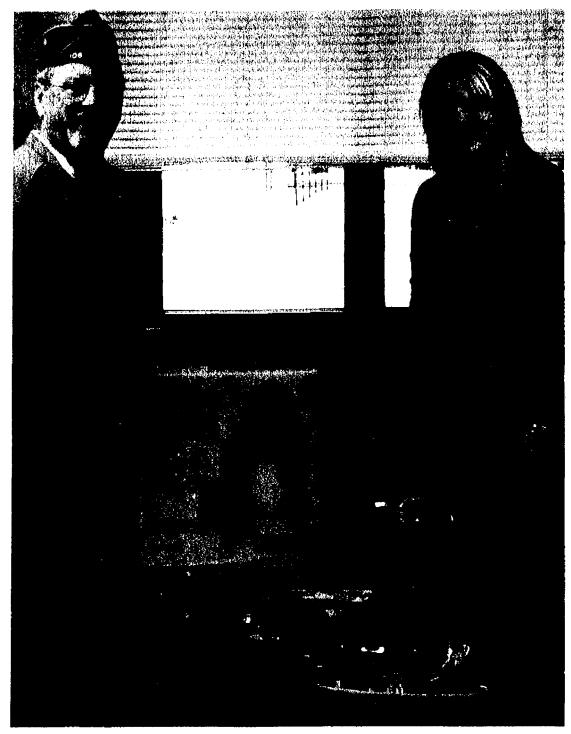


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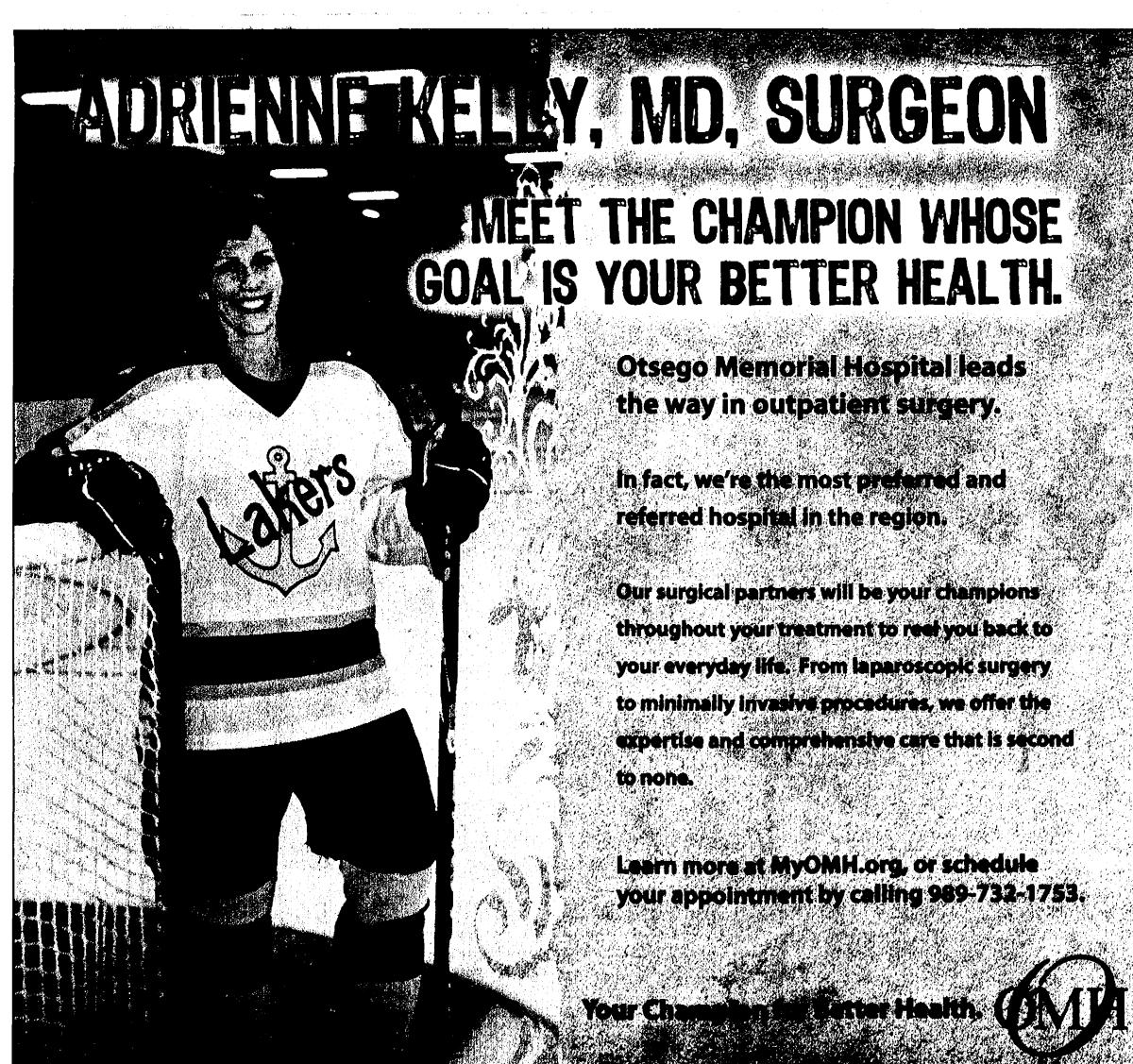
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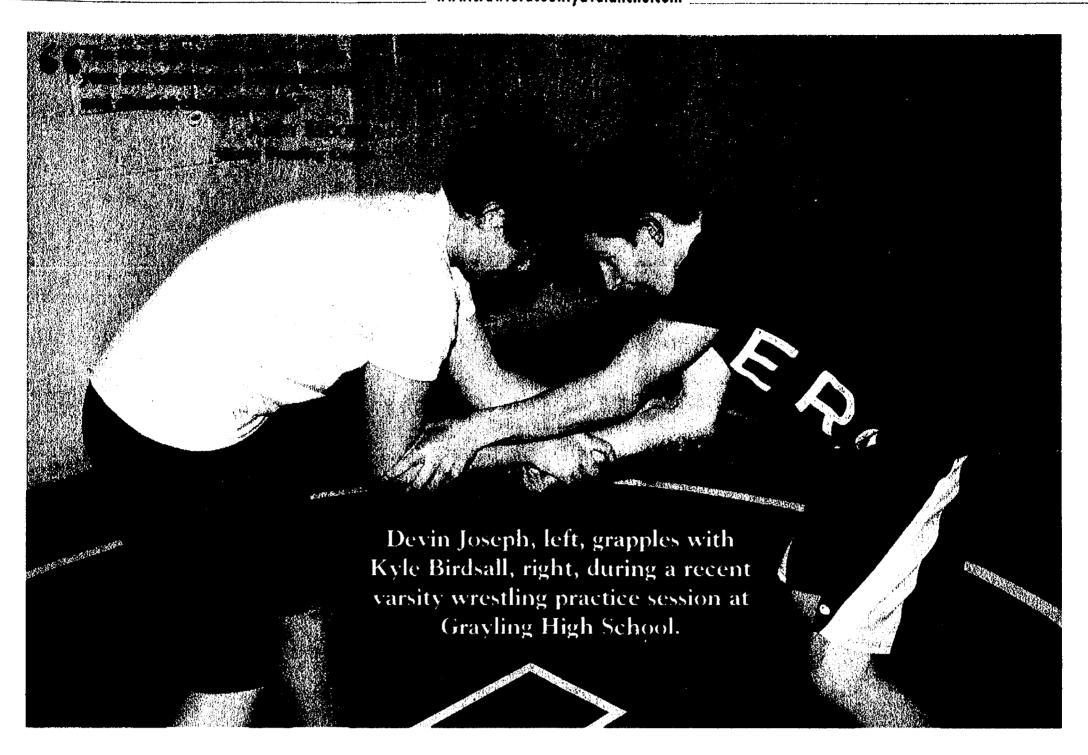
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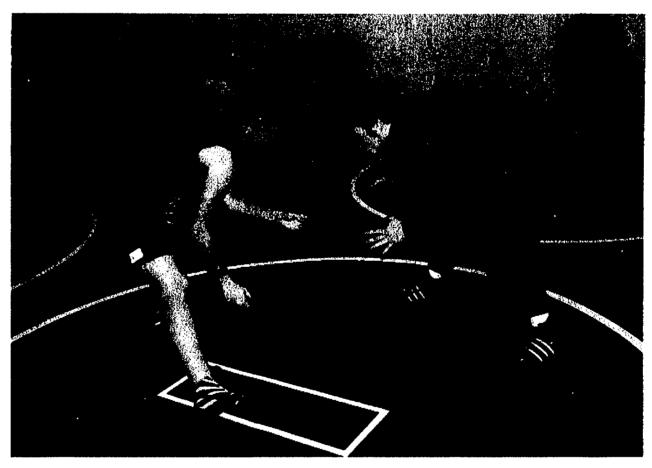
by Caleb Casey Senior Staff Writer

Grayling High School's wrestling squad - a group that's young again this year - is looking to get back to the top of the Lake Michigan Conference and compete for another district title.

"The two main goals we have this year are conference championship and district championship," Coach Andy Moore said.

Moore – the owner of Moore's Automotive in Grayling and a former allstate wrestler for GHS - is in his second season as coach of the Vikings. He graduated from Grayling High School in 1991.

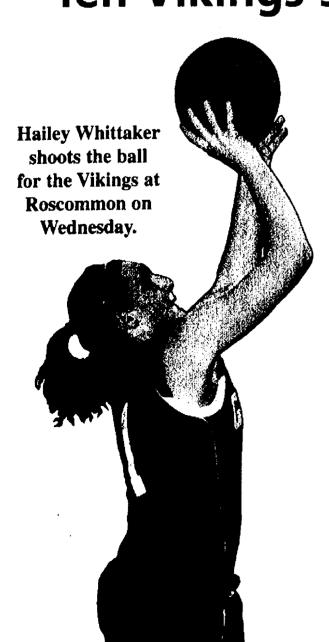
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Nick Petrie, left, squares off against **Brandon** Handrich, right, during wrestling practice on Tuesday, Nov. 20.

Photos by Caleb Casey

Ten Vikings score in 57-40 victory at Roscommon



Balanced scoring helps girls basketball squad win opener

by Caleb Casey Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling Vikings got scoring contributions from 10 different players on Wednesday in a varsity girls basketball contest vs. the Roscommon Bucks, a game that Grayling won by 17 points, 57-40. The contest - a nonconference match held at Roscommon High School - was the season opener for the Vikings.

It was a physical game. The two teams combined for 56 free throw attempts during the contest. Overall, Grayling finished at 65 percent (17 of 26) from the free-throw line and Roscommon shot 63 percent (19 of 30)

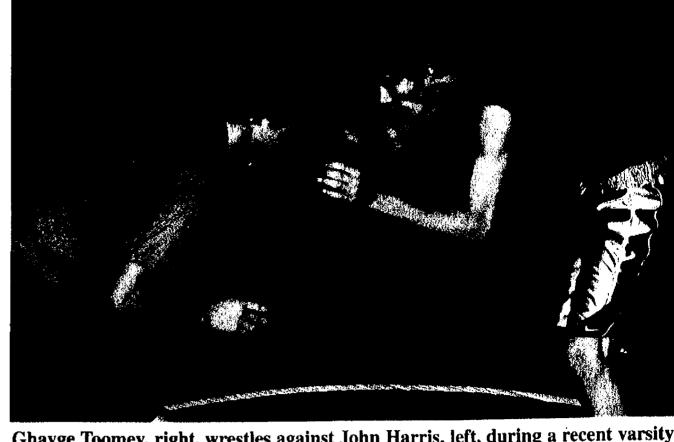
The Vikings built a double digit lead early, outscoring the Bucks 15-5 in the first period. Roscommon did not make a field goal in the first eight minutes of regulation, scoring all five of its first quarter points on free throws.

Grayling scored first with an inside shot by Maddie Benardo. Sam Denno hit two free throws. The Vikings, leading 4-3, scored eight unanswered points with an inside shot by Denno, a jump shot by See TEN VIKINGS | Pg. 5B



Sam Denno dribbles the ball for Grayling vs. the Roscommon Bucks during Wednesday's season opener.

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Ghayge Toomey, right, wrestles against John Harris, left, during a recent varsity wrestling practice at Grayling High School.

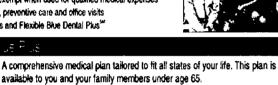
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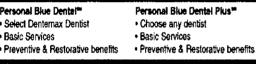
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Grayling's athletic league - the Lake Michigan Conference – has had wrestling as a championship-eligible sport for seven years, starting with the 2005-2006 season. The Vikings have won four of those seven league championships (2010, 2009, 2008, 2006), but Traverse City St. Francis has won the conference in each of the past two seasons (2012, 2011), plus 2007, for a total of three league titles for the Gladiators.

The Vikings have won district championships in four of the last six seasons, posting titles in 2011, 2009, 2008, and 2007. They did not win their district last

Last season's squad had only two seniors (one state qualifier and one regional qualifier). This year's team

is young as well, mixing returners with newcomers. Overall numbers are similar to last year's group.

"We've got close to the same turnout as last year -19 kids," Coach Moore said.

Brandon Handrich, a senior and one of the team's returners, posted a fifth place finish at the state finals last year and ended the season with a 45-5 overall record.

"We're looking for real big things out of him," Coach Moore said.

Jeff Myers, a junior, was one of Grayling's three state qualifiers last year.

"We're looking for him to repeat as a state qualifier and possibly as a state placer," Coach Moore said.

Two other returners --Ghayge Toomey and Zack Cheney - were regional qualifiers last season. "We're looking for them

to take the next step," Coach Moore said.

Zach Joseph, Kyle Schmidt, Erin Messerschmidt three

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The Lake Michigan Conference added wrestling as a championship-eligible sport in 2005-2006.

wrestlers who contributed significantly last year – are also back for another season with the Vikings.

One of the team's freshmen – Jon Martin, expected to wrestle at 103 for GHS -"is going to give us a lot of points this year in our matches," Coach Moore said.

The Vikings started their official practice sessions on

Monday, Nov. 12. "(Practices are) going pretty good. We had our best practice yesterday," Coach

Moore said on Nov. 20.

"That's what this group is going to do - work really hard this year."

"We will be solid this year. It all depends on how hard they work," Coach Moore said.

The team tried to strengthen its schedule this year in an attempt to face more tough competition throughout the season.

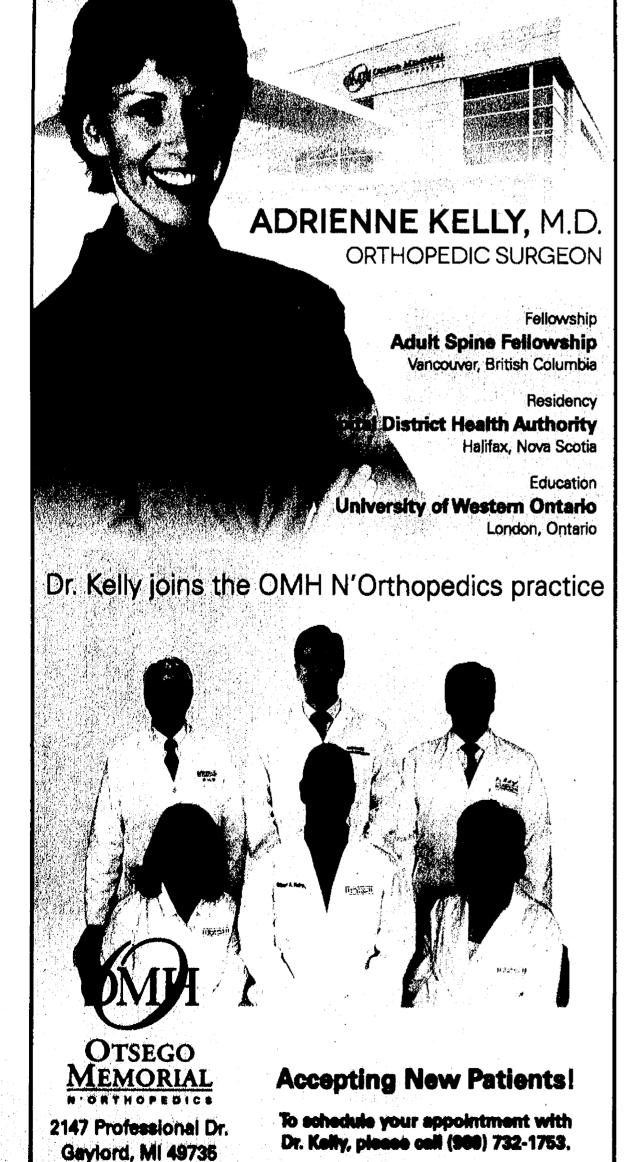
"We scheduled tough tournaments, some tough schools. That's the only way to get prepared for the (postseason) tournament wrestling good teams," Coach Moore said.

The Vikings will host two regular season meets this year - a four-team nonconference meet on Dec. 20 and a three-team league meet on Jan. 22. Grayling will also host the district tournament at the end of the season (Feb. 6).

Grayling will start its 2012-2013 campaign with a four-team meet at West Branch Ogemaw Heights on Wednesday, Dec. 5. The event will start at 6 p.m.

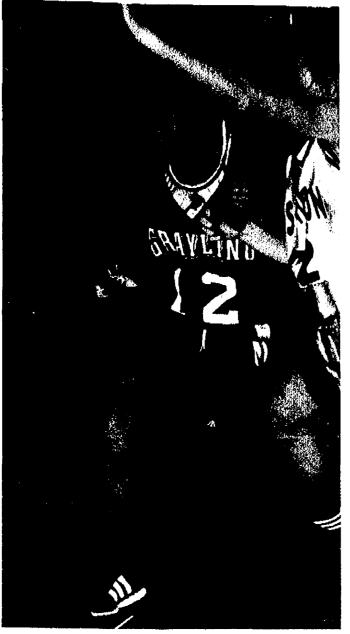


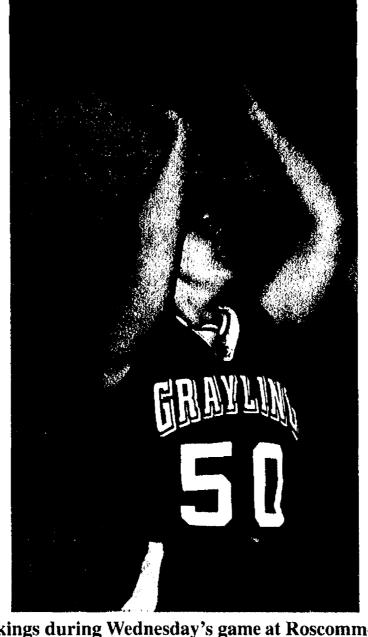
Kyle Schmidt, left, faces off against Jon Martin, right, during a practice session on Nov. 20.





Jeff Myers, right, grapples with Mitchell Thompson, left. during wrestling practice.





Erica Umlor, left, dribbles the ball for the JV Vikings during Wednesday's game at Roscommon. Taylor Nielson, right, shoots the ball for Grayling vs. the Bucks.

JV team falls to Bucks in opener

by Caleb Casey Senior Staff Writer

Grayling High School's junior varsity girls basketball squad opened its 2012-2013 season with a 53-31 loss vs. the Roscommon Bucks – the home team – on Wednesday night.

The Bucks started the game with an 8-0 run. Grayling scored its first basket – an inside shot by Katie Vierling – at the 6:08 mark. Roscommon scored seven unanswered points to lead 15-2. Erica Umlor and Taylor Nielson scored on

jump shots for the Vikings. Roscommon led 16-6 at the end of the first quarter.

The Bucks outscored Grayling 12-8 in the second period. The Vikings scored their eight points with a

jumper by Umlor, two free throws from Emily Jackson, and jump shots by Nielson and Courtney Hatfield.

At halftime, Roscommon had 28 points and Grayling had 14.

The Bucks added to their lead with a 15-4 third quarter performance. Grayling scored its four points with an inside shot by Hatfield and a lay-up by Umlor.

Roscommon had a 43-18 advantage going into the fourth quarter.

The Bucks extended their lead to 30, 50-20, in the first four minutes of the fourth period.

Grayling outscored Roscommon 11-3 in the last four minutes of regulation. The Vikings got their 11 points from a put-back by

Brittany Nielson, one free throw from T. Nielson, a lay-up by Ashley Branch, a jump shot by Allison Dorn, a basket by Brie Koves, and a jumper by Brandi Conforti.

Roscommon won by 22, 53-31.

Eleven different players scored points for the Vikings. Umlor finished with six points. T. Nielson had five points and Hatfield had four. Eight players scored two points apiece for Grayling: Lilie Carr, Jackson, Conforti, Koves, Dom, Branch, B. Nielson,

and Vierling. According to the team, Vierling had six blocks and Hatfield had four steals.

"It was not the start to our season that we were hoping

for, but it was a great learning experience. We were all a little too hyped up, a little nervous and anxious, and we played a little scared and timid. The freshmen were playing in their first high school game and we definitely had the first game of the season jitters. We finished the game much better than we started it and we are definitely looking to build off of this game," Coach Brooke Knight said.

The Vikings (1-1 overall, 0-0 league) will play at Harbor Springs Thursday, Dec. 13.

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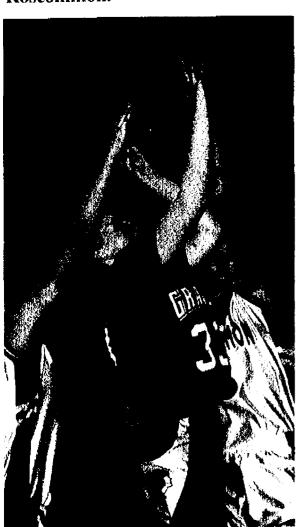
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Brittany Nielson fights for a loose ball during last week's game at Roscommon.





Katie Vierling, left, takes an inside shot for Grayling. Brie Koves, right, passes the ball in bounds for the Vikings.



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Tandy Mitchell handles the ball for Grayling's varsity basketball team during last week's game at Roscommon.

JV, VARSITY TEAMS WIN VS. SUTTONS BAY

Grayling plays in Tip Off Tournament at Kingsley

Both Grayling teams won. On Saturday, Grayling High School's varsity and junior varsity girls basketball Powers said. squads each played one game at the Tip Off Tournament at Kingsley, an event that featured Northwest Conference and Lake Michigan Conference teams.

The varsity squad from Grayling High School won 61-37 vs. Suttons Bay 41-34. Grayling trailed at half-Bay.

Makayla Cragg had 12 points and eight rebounds for the Vikings. Caitlin Prosser had 12 points and seven rebounds. Hannah Haven had 11 points. Alvssa Morley scored eight points and Samantha Denno had eight points. Hailey Whittaker had five points, six steals, and four assists.

"We were very happy that the girls were working hard for the entire game. All of the girls contributed once again as we wore Suttons Bay down. For four quarters we outscored Suttons Bay and the game was comfortably in hand," Coach Joe Powers said.

"We do need to increase our offensive efficiency as we need to take advantage of more opportunities; however, our defense was very solid, forcing many turnovers and easy scoring opportunities. It was also nice that we made some more (three-pointers). This will be an important part of our offense this year as we strive for nice balance with the outside shot and the inside

presence. It's always a nice game when you can stay undefeated," Coach

(The team also won its season opener last week, defeating the Roscommon Bucks 57-40 at Roscommon on Wednesday. The varsity squad is now 2-0 overall.)

The JV Vikings defeated Suttons time, but the team outscored Suttons Bay 26-12 in the second half.

Brittany Nielson had 10 points, 10 rebounds, three steals, and two assists for Grayling, Jordan Tinker had eight points. Erica Umlor had six points, four assists, and three steals. Sally Metiva scored six points. Courtney Hatfield had four steals and two assists.

"It was the tale of two halves as we got down 22-15 in the first half, but overcame that for a seven-point win. Those beginning of season jitters were still with us in the first half as it was pretty sloppy and we were moving too fast. We settled down big time in the second half, leading to a much more effective full court press and a much calmer and more patient offensive attack. The girls really pulled together in the second half and played the basketball that we all know we are capable of playing," Coach Brooke Knight said.

The JV team is now 1-1 overall.

Bowling Leagues

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P. Gillies, 416. High Game Women: C. Clark, 199, P. Gillies, 164; H. Stairs, 163. High Series Men: B. Hollis, 550; D. Canfield, 536; D. Henning, 515. High Game Men: D. Henning, 203; B.

Clark, 449; H. Stairs, 424;

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Maddie Benardo handles the ball for Grayling during last week's game against Roscommon.



Rachel Money drives to the basket for the Vikings vs. the Bucks on Wednesday.

Ten Vikings score in 57-40 victory at Roscommon

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Caitlin Prosser, a jumper by Alyssa Morley, and an inside shot by Makayla Cragg. Grayling hit the last shot of the first quarter – a triple by Tandy Mitchell – and the Vikings led by 10 going into the second period.

Roscommon scored six of the second quarter's first seven points to pull within five, 16-11.

Denno scored on an inside shot. Hannah Haven made two free throws. Rachel Money hit one of two from the free-throw line. GHS led 21-13 with 6:00 left in the period.

Cragg scored for Grayling on a jump shot. Haven hit a threepointer. Hailey Whittaker scored on a lay-up. Cragg scored on a put-back. Cragg hit one of two from the free-throw line. Benardo scored on a put-back. Cragg made an inside shot.

The Bucks, in the last 5:00 of the second quarter, scored only five points – all on free throws. Roscommon finished the first half with only three field goals.

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At halftime, Grayling led 35-20.

The Bucks scored the first basket of the third period. Grayling scored six unanswered points with an inside shot by Benardo, a put-back by Denno, and two free throws from Morley.

Roscommon scored four points on two separate trips to the free-throw line. Haven hit two free throws for Grayling. The Bucks scored on a jump shot. Prosser hit a jumper for the Vikings. Denno scored inside. Prosser scored on a lay-up.

Grayling led by 21 points, 49-28, going into the fourth period. Whittaker scored on a drive to the basket. Roscommon scored the next seven points to pull within 16. Whittaker hit one of two from the free-throw line. The Bucks made a three-point shot. Grayling led 52-38.

Benardo, at the 2:08 mark, hit two free throws for Grayling. Cierra Prosser made two free throws for the Vikings at the 1:42 mark. Mitchell hit one of two from the line. The Bucks scored the last basket of regulation.

The Vikings won by 17, 57-40. Ten of Grayling's 11 available players scored points in the contest, and six of those had at least five points. Denno had a teamhigh 10 points. Cragg scored nine. Benardo and Haven each had eight points. Ca. Prosser had six points and Whittaker had five points. Mitchell and Morley each had four points. Ci. Prosser had two points and Money had one. According to the team, leading rebounders were Benardo (14), Ca. Prosser (8), and Cragg (7). Whittaker had six steals. Ca. Prosser had five assists.

Roscommon scored nearly half of its total points from the free-throw line (19 of 40).

"As the first game of the season, it was great to start off with a win," Coach Joe Powers said. "Our girls played extremely determined right from the tipoff. We pressed them for 94 feet and challenged them to play at our pace. I'm very happy with the girls and it's nice to be undefeated at 1-0."

The Vikings (2-0 overall, 0-0 league) will host Harbor Springs – their first league opponent for this year – at 6 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 14.



Alyssa Morley shoots the ball for the Vikings on Wednesday night at Roscommon.

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NOTICE IF YOU ARE NOW ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY OR HAVE BEEN IN THE PRIOR NINE MONTHS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT 248-502-1502. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Peggy Kish and Steve Kish, wife and husband, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for GMAC Mortgage, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company formerly known as GMAC Mortgage Corporation, its successors or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 24, 2007 and recorded August 28, 2007 in Liber 688, Page 304, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by GMAC Mortgage, LLC successor by merger to GMAC Mortgage Corporation by assignment. Recorded on 10/5/2012 in Liber 710, page 758, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Four Thousand Ten and 67/100 Dollars (\$54,010.67) including interest at 6.475% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on 01/02/2013. Said premises are located in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Township of Grayling, County of Crawford Lot(s) 16, Madsen's Pines, according to the recorded Plat thereof, State of Michigan The redemption period shall be 6

months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights.

Dated: November 29, 2012

Orlans Associates, P.C.

Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041

-29-6-13-20

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Troy, MI 48007-5041

File No. 703.2813

(11-29)(12-20)

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus inter-

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by David C. Rohraff, A Single Man and Dorothy L. Rohraff, A Single Woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nomince for United Wholesale Mortgage, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 31, 2006, and recorded on April 10, 2006 in Liber 680 on Page 735, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Six and 39/100 Dollars (\$61,786.39).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 19, 2012.

Said premises are situated in

Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: A parcel of land located in the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 12, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of said Section 12, thence South 88 degrees 36 minutes 07 seconds West along the East-West 1/4 line, 323.74 feet for a point of beginning; thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 09 seconds West 336.73 feet; thence South 88 degrees 41 minutes 10 seconds West 324.33 feet; thence North 00 degrees 21 minutes 14 seconds East 336.27 feet; thence North 88 degrees 36 minutes 07 seconds East along the East-West 1/4 line 323.75 feet to the point of beginning. Together with and subject to An easement for ingress, egress installation, and maintenance of utilities described as follows: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of said Section 12, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, thence South 88 degrees 36 minutes 07 seconds West along the East-West 1/4 line 290.73 feet for a point of beginning; thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 09 seconds West 700.95 feet; thence along the arc of a non-tangent curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 66.00 feet, arc length of 345.58 feet, central angle of 300 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds, a chord bearing of North 89 degrees 44 minutes 51 seconds West, and a chord length of 66.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 15 minutes 09 seconds East 699.05 feet; thence

North 88 degrees 36 minutes 07

seconds East along the East-West 1/4 line 66.02 feet to the point of beginning. Subject also to a County Road right of way over the Northerly side thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

period.

Dated: November 15, 2012

For more information, please call:
FC S (248) 593-1304

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525

File #410923F01 (11-15)(12-06)

-15-22-29-6

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has

been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Judith L. Fredrick, an unmarried person, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 7, 2003, and recorded on May 21, 2003 in Liber 635 on Page 290, and assigned by said Mortgagee to PHH Mortgage Corporation as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Three Hundred One and 03/100 Dollars (\$75,301.03). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or., some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 19, 2012.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 2: Being a part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 11, Town 25 North, Range 4 West, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described Commencing at the Northwest Corner of said Section 11, Thence South 0 degrees 29 minutes 5 seconds West along Section Line 525.95 feet, for a Place of Beginning; thence continuing South 0 degrees 29 minutes 5 seconds West, 261.95 feet; thence South 89 degrees 32 minutes 40 seconds West, 364.00 feet, to the

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Place of Beginning

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: November 15, 2012 For more information, please call: FC J (248) 593-1311 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway,

Suite 200

Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #404066F02 (11-15)(12-06)

-15-22-29-6

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATIN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus inter-

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Bryan D Sattler an unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for New Freedom Mortgage Corporation its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated February 17, 2004, and recorded on March 25, 2004 in Liber 667 on Page 26, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Nine Thousand Six Hundred Fifty-Eight and 58/100 Dollars (\$69,658.58). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 19, 2012.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 335, Indian Glens of the Ausable No. 5, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 25, Crawford County

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: November 15, 2012 For more information, please call: FC D (248) 593-1309 Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525

File #230062F02 (11-15)(12-06)

-15-22-29-6

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-

TOR ATTEMPTING TO COL-LECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMA-TION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus inter-

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Glenda A. Jacobs, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to First Federal of Northern Michigan, Mortgagee, dated July 17, 2009, and recorded on July 29, 2009 in Liber 696 on

Page 929, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-One and 40/100

Dollars (\$116,761.40). Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 26,

2012.
Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The North 10.01 acres of the South 50.05 acres of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of Section 3, Town 26 North, Range 3 West.
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale,

accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to

the person who buys the property at

the mortgage foreclosure sale or to

unless determined abandoned in

the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: November 22, 2012 For more information, please call: FC J (248) 593-1311

Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200

Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #414168F01 (11-22)(12-13)

Default having been made in the

-22-29-6-13

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

conditions of a certain Mortgage made by NANCY DUTTON, a single woman, whose address is 206 Kerry Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738, to the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Rural Housing Service (also known as Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, with an office being located at 1501 Cass Street, Traverse City, Michigan 49684, the Mortgagee, dated March 1, 2005 and recorded March 31, 2005 in Liber 674 of Crawford County Records on Page 457, said Borrower on the same date of March 1, 2005 having also executed an Assumption Agreement by which she assumed the prior Mortgage given by Roy J. Dutton and Nancy Dutton to the United States of America, acting through the Rural Housing Service, United States Department of Agriculture, such Mortgage being dated July 30, 1999 and recorded August 10, 1999 in Liber 488 of Crawford County Records on Page 27; and by reason of such default the Mortgagee elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due for principal, interest and other applicable charges, the sum of SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND ONE HUN-DRED SIXTY-ONE AND 05/100 (\$63,161.05) DOLLARS, and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the Crawford County Courthouse located at 200 W. Michigan Avenue in the City of Grayling and County of Crawford, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for

Notice is Hereby Given that by

said County, on Wednesday January 9, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., local time, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage together with 6.0% interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Lands and premises situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan:

Lot 30, PINE GROVE SUBDIVI-SION, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 58, Crawford County Records. (Commonly known as 206 Kerry Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738; Tax Code #20-040-45-660-00-030-00.)

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale.

This is an attempt to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

For further information contact USDA, Rural Development, Centralized Servicing Center, 4300 Goodfellow Boulevard, Building 105, FC-215, St. Louis, Missouri 63120, telephone 800-349-5097, ext. 4500.

NOTE: Pursuant to MCL \$600.3278, if the above-described property is sold at a foreclosure sale the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Dated: December 6, 2012

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Rural Housing Service (also known as Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee

By: Robert J. Zitta (P22749) Attorney for Mortgagee SCHEUERLE & ZITTA, LLP 300 Washington Avenue P.O. Box 212 Grand Haven, MI 49417 616-842-1470

-6-13-20-27

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD PUBLICATION OF NOTICE FILE NO. 12-8040-DE

In the matter of FREDERICK LYMAN SHIPPY, DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND HEIRS OF UNKNOWN WHERE-ABOUTS: The Decedent, Frederick Lyman Shippy, died January 6, 2012.

Creditors and heirs of unknown

whereabouts of the Decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Shifrah Shippy, named Personal Representative, or to Stephen N. Leuchtman, her attorney, or to both, at the Crawford County Probate Court at 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738 within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date 11/29/2012

Attorney name: Stephen N. Leuchtman P16590 1380 East Jefferson Avenue Detroit, MI 48207 (313) 259-6900

Petitioner name: Shifrah Shippy W6279 Lake Drive Shawano, WI 54166-146 (989) 390-6340

Public Notice

Frederic Township Planning Commission will be holding Regular Scheduled Meetings on the following dates: January 28, 2013, April 22, 2013, July 22, 2013, and October 28, 2013 all meetings will be held at 10 am at the Frederic Township Hall at 6470 Manistee Street (Former Elementary School) in Frederic.

Frederic Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals have each an opening that we are in need of filling. Any interested party that live in Frederic Township and wishes to serve on the Planning Commission or Zoning Board of Appeals please submit a letter of interest to Zoning Administrator Doug Pratt no later than December 10, 2012 at 2 pm or mail your letter to pratt@frederictownship.org.

Douglas Pratt
Zoning Administrator

NOTICE TO THE FREDERIC PROPERTY OWNERS

Frederic Township Board of Review will meet December 11,2012 at 2:00 PM in the Township Hall at 6470 Manistee St. Frederic MI 49733.

The purpose of the meeting will be to review and correct any mutual mistake of fact or clerical errors.

William T. Johnson Supervisor

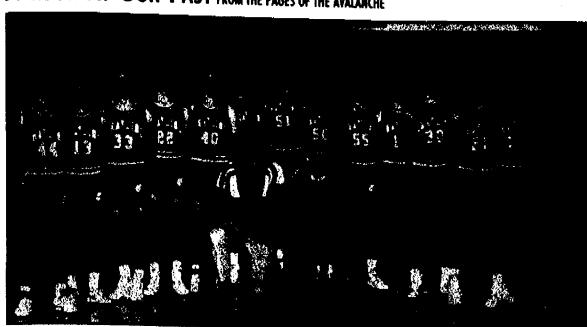


Avalanche "Legal Action" pages for Crawford County are now available on-line at crawfordcountyavalanche.com

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



December 7, 1989 - The 1989 - 90 Grayling High School boy's basketball team is shown here from left to right. Shane Fraser, Tony Doremire, Matt Branch, Jim Smith, Jay Mertes, Eric Alma, Jim Abney, Matt Spencer, Kirk Annis, Adam Mead, Ron Doe, Chad Bonamie, Scott Nicholas; front head coach Tom Mills, volunteer coach Kevin **Quintin** and manager Chris Bindschatel.

23 Years Ago **December 7, 1989**

Duane Brooks received an award from Grayling Mayor Robert Golnick as the City Council honored Brooks for 20 years service 24, 1990 and demolition as a volunteer fireman. Brooks joined the Grayling City and Township Fire Department on Nov. 24, 1969.

Camp Grayling has received an emergency operating license from the DNR to burn and detonate approximately 12,000 pounds of leftover gun powder and unusable ammuni-

tion. Major Jerry Foehl, Public Affairs Officer for Camp Grayling, said he special "one time" license was for a 90 day period from November 27 to Feb. experts would begin the disposal process as soon as the burning trays were made.

The Grayling Christmas Home Tour will once again open four beautiful homes to visitors. As an added attraction to this year's home tour, the Grayling Depot, refurbished as the Crawford County Historical Museum will also be open.

Parkinson's, Fisher's, the Welsh's and Ernie Dawson's home will be on the tour.

46 Years Ago **December 8, 1966**

Bear Mountain Sports Park was in operation last weekend, 45 days ahead of last year according to Lewis Stillwagon, president of the Grayling Recreation Area. A very large crowd of winter sports enthusiasts enjoyed the new facilities. The ski rental, chair lift, Tbar, and the beginners area were all in operation.

Mrs. Carl Hatfield is the new employee at the Grayling State Bank.

The William Gildner's have sold their Karen Woods home to the Gideon Robarge's and moved into the apartments at Lake Margrethe, formerly occupied by the Robarge's.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton McWilliams moved into their new home in North Park subdivision two weeks ago. They sold their former home on M-72 to Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Thompson, who moved there last week.

69 Years Ago **December 9, 1943**

The Betty Mae Beauty Parlor has been purchased by Mrs. Bertha Dannenberg.

92 Years Ago December 9, 1920

John Stephan was showing about town Saturday, a fine specimen of an Arctic white owl. It was a beauty, its wings spreading exactly five feet and from the top of the head to the tip of the tail it measured 24 inches.

Trainmaster P.L. Preim and yardmaster William McNeven will leave tonight for Detroit to be in attendance at the big masonic meeting that will take place at the Palestine Temple.

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started off strong and

now you're waning.

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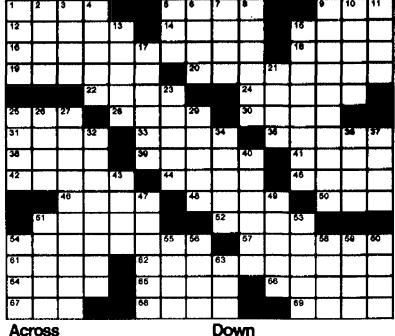
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CROSSWORD



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2. Black cat, maybe

5. Toni Morrison's "____

9. Carnival boat (2 wds)

21. God with a hammer

23. Madcap comedy

25. Perry Como's "____

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29. Emergency supply

hostility (pl.)

(2 wds)

34. Bolshoi rival

37. 1990s party

49. Implied

36. Cork's country

43. Exactly (3 wds)

51. American symbol

53. Kind of cycle

54. Checked item

55. Deep sleep

59. Insect stage

56. Wallop

58. Bound

26. "___ Lang Syne"

6. Air force heroes

7. Mosque V.I.P.

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13. Dork

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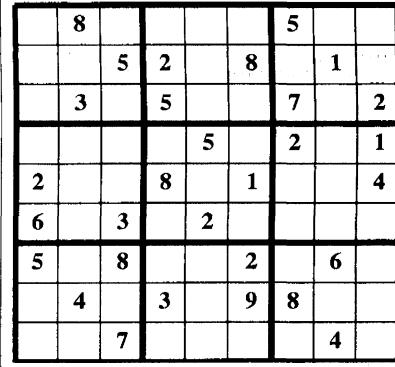
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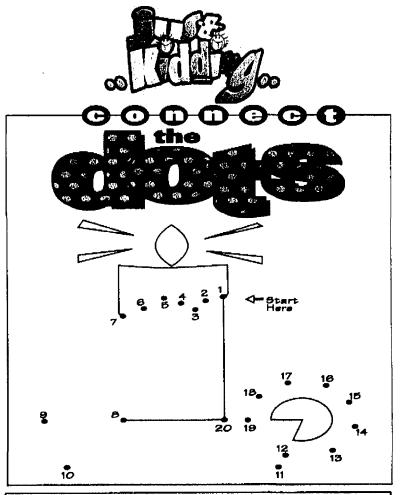
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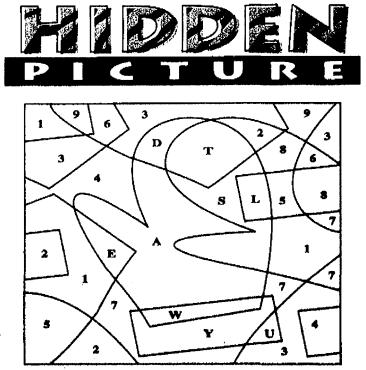
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No.

Week of December 2, 2012

July 22



January 26-

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March 20

People cannot be December 22-January 19



You're wasting your

time, Capricorn.







Invite everyone over

for a little celebration.

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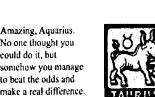
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Take everyone out for

some fun, Pisces. The

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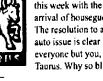


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April 19

Lessons are learned

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May 21-



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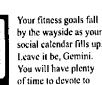
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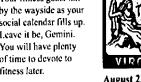
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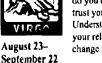








August 22







You cannot do it all-

no one can -so why

Cancer? Cut back and

let others take the lead.

Your sanity depends

There is an art to

entertaining, and

you lead the pack.

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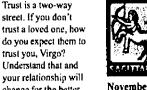
experience the true

joy of the season.

Leo. Share your

and you'll

are you trying to,





October 22

October 23-

November 21

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

Open: Everyday - 10am to 3pm ADOPT A PET

WE'RE OVERLOADED!- The animal shelter is currently very full of animals in need of loving homes, just like yours. Help these very adoptable pets find homes, adopt today! Visit our website for more information.

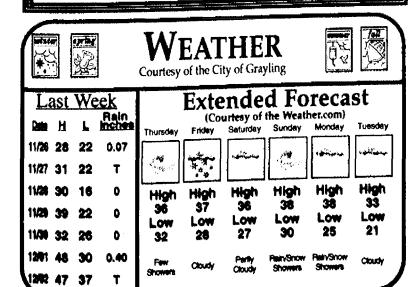


Teddy

Teddy is a very comical and playful young dog. Our best guess is that he is a PugChow mix but he refuses to confirm or deny that. Teddy has a sweet and sify disposition. He will need training but has been newtered, vaccinated and micro-chipped. Teddy would love to go home for Christmas.

Visit us at: www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org AuSable Valley Animal Shelter

5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117 For more pets or more information, visit our website <u>www.ascc.petfinder.com</u>



RECIPE OF THE WEEK ROASTED WINTER VEGETABLE TRIO

Ingredients:

11b. Brussels sprouts, trimmed, cut in half

lpkg. (1 lb.) carrots, peeled, cut diagonally into 1-inch pieces I lb. new red potatoes, cut into quarters

1/2 cup Zesty Italian Dressing 1 tsp. crushed red pepper 1 cup coarsely chopped Walnuts

Directions:

HEAT oven to 400°F.

TOSS vegetables with dressing and crushed pepper; spread onto bottom of 15x10x1-inch pan.

BAKE 15 min.

ADD nuts; mix lightly. Bake 20 min. or until potatoes are tender. Food Facts Small, bright green Brussels sprouts with compact

heads will be more tender than larger ones. They are available late August through March. Special Extra Microwave 4 slices Bacon on microwaveable plate topped with paper towel 5 min. or until browned and crisp, turning after 2 min. Chop bacon; toss with

Present Large

roasted vegetables before serving.

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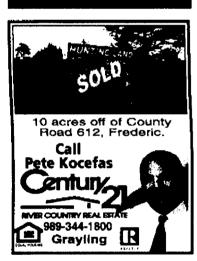
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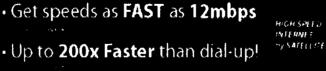
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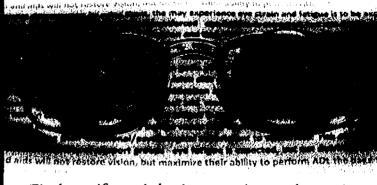


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6. Wanted

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8. Announcements

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8. Announcements

COOKIE WALK Saturday, Dec. 8, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Mary's Family Center - Spruce St. (-6/8)

8. Announcements

City of Grayling

The City of Grayling is accepting sealed bids on the items listed below. The sealed bids must be received no later than 4:00PM Thursday December 20, 2012 in the City Clerk's Office. Additional information is available at City Hall where the items may be inspected. Bids must be in a sealed envelope addressed to the City of Grayling attention Clerk. The bid envelope must read "Sealed Bid" and list the Bid # and item description.

BID 1: 2002 New Holland Model 38 Crop-Chopper Flail Harvester. Pull type with hitch for rear wagon. Very little use. Minimum bid \$3,000.00

BID 2: 2002 H&S Forage Box trailer model BB18 Power Box. 18ft with roof assembly, PTO drive rear unload. Very clean unit. Minimum bid \$5,000.00

BID 3: 1996 Ford New Holland 575D tractor loader backhoe. Cab 4x4 & extend a hoe. 1.3 cubic vard loader bucket, 24 inch backhoe bucket with bolt on teeth and fork lift forks. 3377 hours. Minimum bid \$14,000.00

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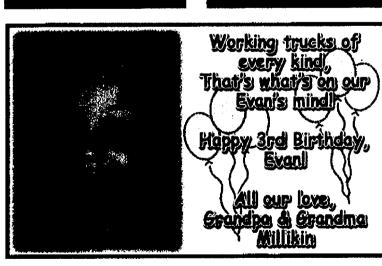
BID 6: 8hp Ariens 32" snowblower model 924024

BiD 7: Airco Yellow Jacket AC/DC welder/generator with large amount of cable. DC 300amps, AC 400. Minimum bid \$700.00

The City of Grayling reserves the right to accept or \ deny any bid.

9. Personals

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10. Garage Sales

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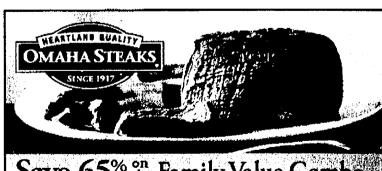
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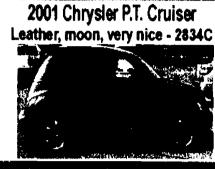




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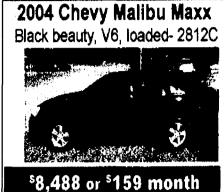


\$5,988 or \$139 month

2007 Ford Escape 4x4

One owner, XLT, V6 - 2774T

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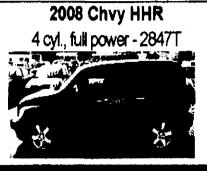


2011 Ford F150 Super Crew

4x4, XLT, 20° wheels, must see - 2873T

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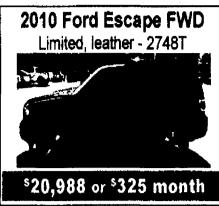
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2010 Ford F150 S.C. 4x4

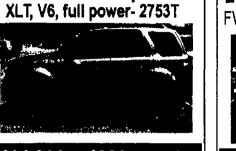
XLT, V8, one owner - 2716T



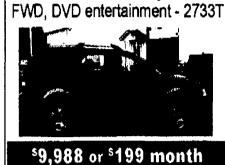
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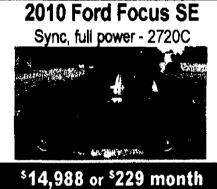


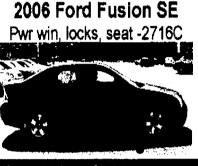
\$14,988 or \$229 month



2008 Ford Taurus SEL

FWD, pwr win-lock-seat - 2867C





\$10,488 or \$209 month

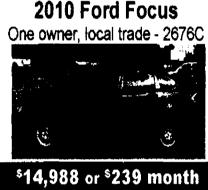
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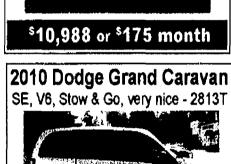


\$26,988 or \$419 month

\$15,988 or \$249 month

2011 Ford Escape 4x4

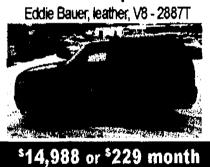




\$13,988 or \$259 month

2005 Chevy 1500 S.C. 4x4

Silverado, V8, full power- 2746T

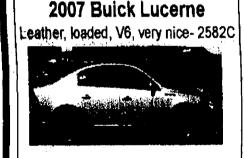




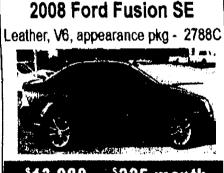


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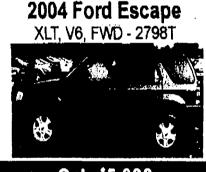
\$16,988 or \$259 month



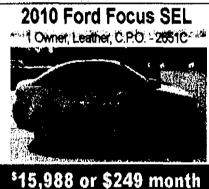
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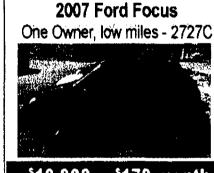


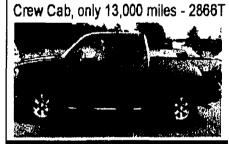
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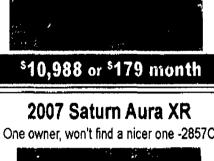




\$8,844 or \$169 month

2005 Dodge Dakota 4x4 Quad Cab, V8, must see - 2780T

\$10,988 or \$209 month





\$10,988 or \$175 month

2006 Chevrolet Trailblazer LT, leather, moon, very clean - 2791

\$14,988 or \$279 month



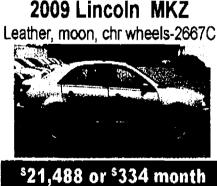
One owner, low miles super nice - 2844T

Only \$10,988

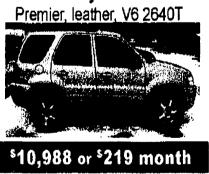
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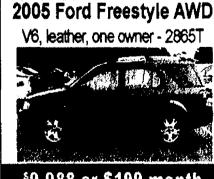


4.0 V6, 4Dr Very Nice Full Pwr - 2652T

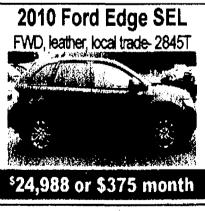


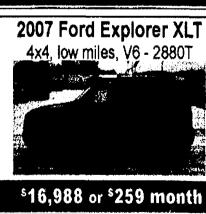




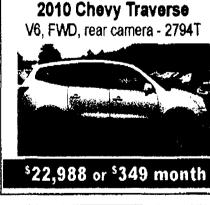


\$9,988 or \$199 month





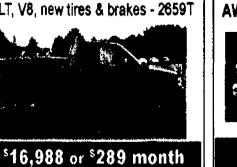




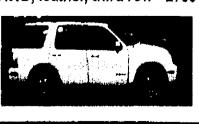
2011 Ford F150 SuperCrew 4x4, XLT, V8, nice truck- 2617TR



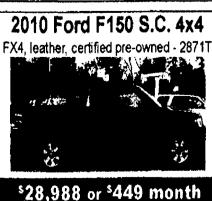
2006 Ford F150 SC 4x4 XLT, V8, new tires & brakes - 2659T



2010 Mercury Mountaineer AWD, leather, third row - 2709T

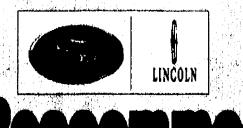


\$21,488 or \$329 month



2008 Ford F250 Crew Cab 4x4, XLT, only 42,000 miles - 2890T

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